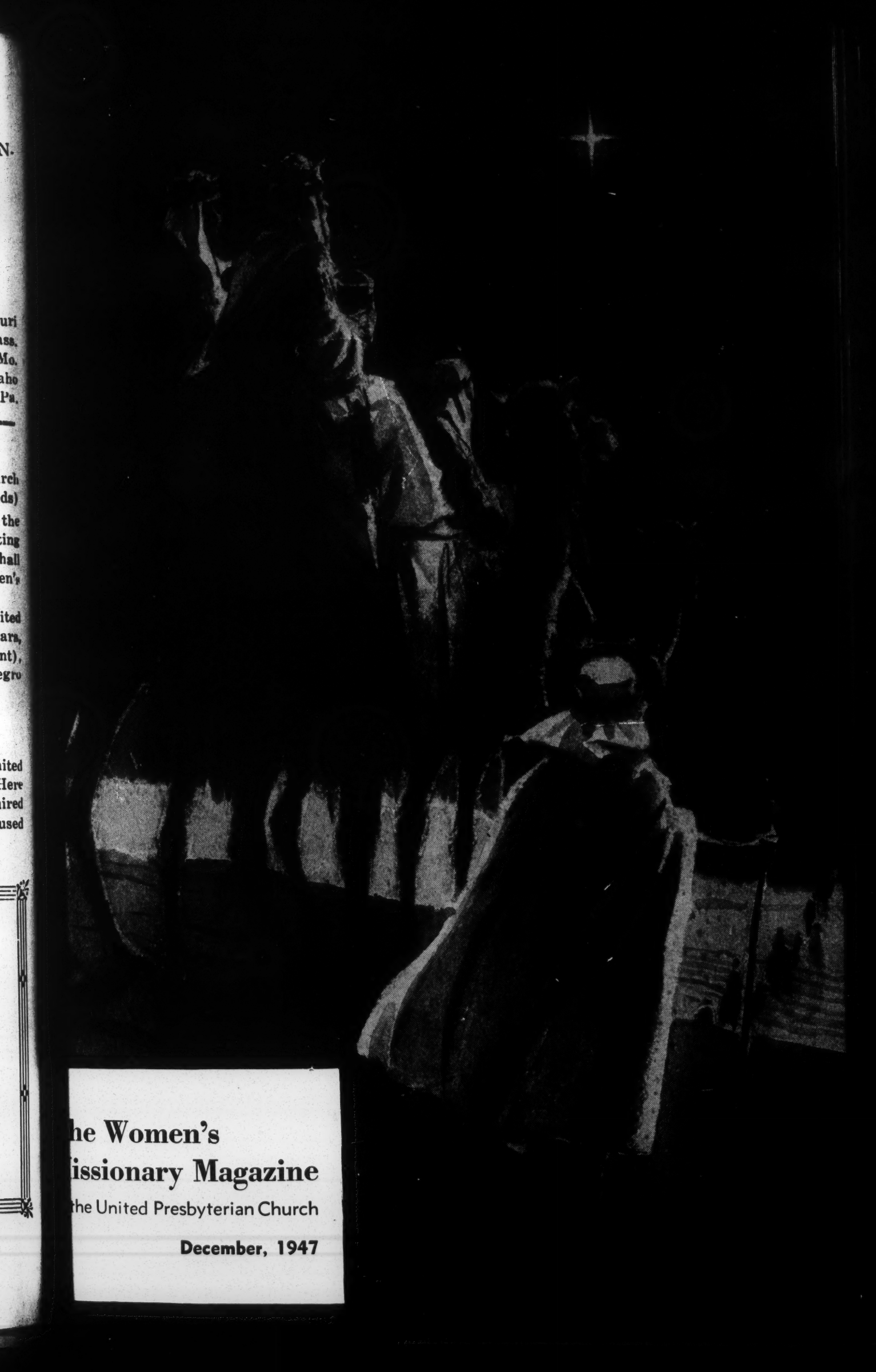

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A LITTLE TIME APART

THE SONG OF PEACE

On a still, blue night in Bethlehem
Rang out long years ago
The glory song of the angel host
To a troubled world below,
Where hate and strife were raging wild,
Where men knew no love nor peace;
But the angels sang of peace on earth,
Of the time when hate would cease.

Now, in these troublous days and hours
When over souls of men
There hover still deep hate and greed,
A song rings out again;
For anothr host now sings the song
Around the whole wide earth,
A Christian host that sings of peace,
Like angels, at Christ's birth.

—Elsie Wehling Fulton

The Valley Of The Nile

Old ruins now submerged by the great Dam

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Committed Unto Us

Egypt

Evangelistic Work In Egypt's Delta

By MISS MINNEHAHA FINNEY, Sterling, Kansas

DURING the 43 years I spent in Egypt, 1894-1937 I had for about half that time great joy in Educational work, first in Mansoura at the eastern extreme of the fan-like Delta and later in Alexandria at the western extreme. In this section two-thirds of Egypt's population live, and before the Arab invasion in the Seventh Century, there was a strong Christian Church which had been founded by St. Mark. In succeeding centuries it lost its religious fervor and spiritual power, and fell an easy prey to the fierce Arab invaders who had set out to exterminate Christianity. This they almost did, leaving Egypt, especially the Delta entirely non-Christian. Woe to our Christianity even in this day if we lose our zeal and devotion to our God and Saviour, Jesus Christ!

A Vision of the Field

I never forgot the promise I made myself in those early days of my life as a missionary, to go back to those Delta villages to tell the women and children about Jesus and his love for them. So after I had been in Educational work about 20 years I asked the Missionary Association for an appointment as an Evangelistic missionary among the Delta villages. They gladly acquiesced, and allowed me to choose my center from which to work. I chose Tanta because of its central location in the Delta, as well as being a good railroad center. I've always felt that I chose well, for about that time the Delta Car (the Evangelistic House R.R. Car) fitted out with two bed-rooms, dining and sitting room combined, kitchen and small bath-room, was built and put on the Delta Light railway tracks, reaching hundreds of Delta villages.

How well I remember what the late Rev. William R. Coventry, who had been the moving spirit in the building and equipping of the Delta Car for evangelistic work, said to me. . . "Miss Finney, you are to have your turn in the use of the Delta Car for your village evangelistic work among Delta women." How I enjoyed it for a few weeks or months each year during twenty years and it would take more words than I have allotted to me now, to tell the story of those years.

It did not take me long to realize that what the great work needed was trained Egyptian young women to carry the message of Salvation to

their sisters living in the villages, even to be able to take up their abode among them as leaders and teachers.

A New Venture

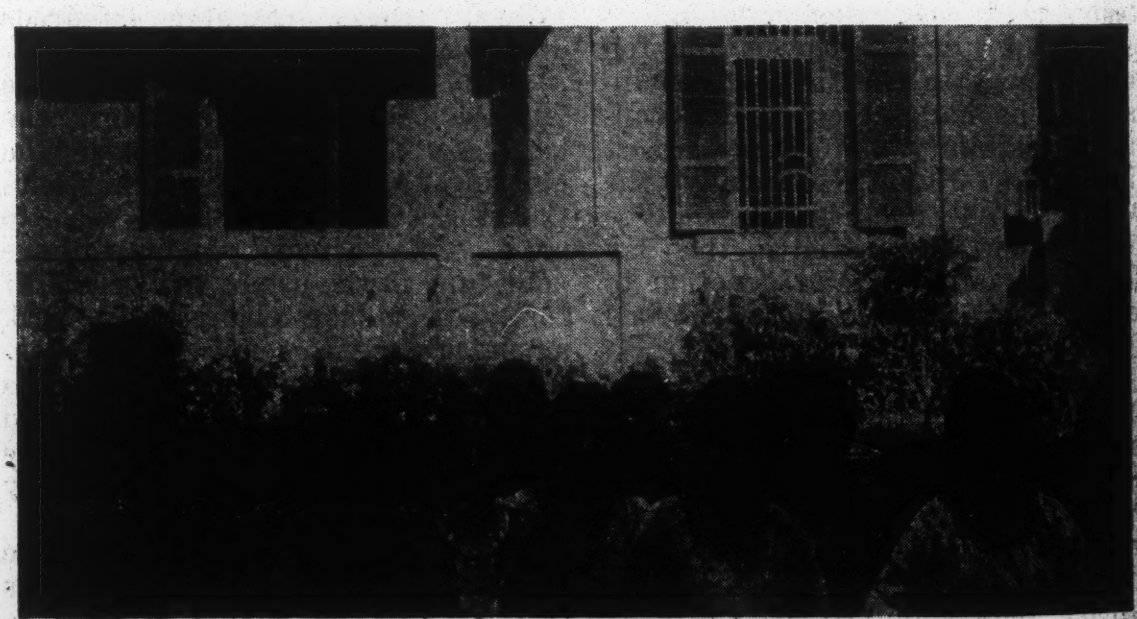
The next step was a proposition to the Missionary Association for a request to be sent to our Women's Board in America, asking them to establish a Training School for Women Evangelists and Bible Teachers to carry the Gospel Message to Egypt's millions of women, many of whom had never heard about their need of Salvation through Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of men, women and children.

In the course of time, we had the school started and equipped, but that is a long story all its own for it took much planning, discussion and much prayer on the part of those of us who realized the great need for such a school. I never forget the deep interest and inspirational help of dear Mrs. Hart, Mrs. Daisy Philips and Miss Helen Ferrier, who all are long since in the Heavenly Land but who lived long enough to rejoice with me in seeing this piece of work well begun.

We Build a Home

It is interesting to note that the purchase of the lot and the erection of the building for the Bible Women's Training School was the first project begun in Egypt with the funds sent out by the New World Movement 1920 to 1924. I happened to be on the Mission Committee with quite a number of other missionaries, men and women, to allocate Egypt's share of the New World Movement funds and I so well remember what Dr. Hickman of Assiut College said after there had been much discussion about what to undertake first. He said: "One piece of work well begun is the crying need for a building and equipment and that is Miss Finney's Bible Women's Training School, already begun and overflowing., but housed in a small rented building over in Tanta." Immediately it was voted through with enthusiasm and I've always been most grateful for this cooperation. Soon the work began and in about two years the building was ready to be occupied.

During part of that time I came home to America on my regular furlough and my beloved friend, Miss Margaret Bell was asked to fill the interim until my return. Miss Lucia Dwight assisted her, being a fine



A Group of Helpers

help in many different ways. When I returned I found the new building well started. How eagerly we watched it grow. Mr. Bell, a full time missionary, was the Mission architect and engineer, and he did a fine piece of work, putting it through to a finish. It takes a very few words to tell the story of all the work and patient waiting which we experienced and how we rejoiced when the "moving in" time came, as a matter of fact we moved in before the window glass was in and before the painting of the woodwork was done.

In course of time after I had been about ten years in superintending the Training School and doing quite a bit of the teaching work, I asked to be relieved so that I could give full time to evangelistic work among the villages. Miss Lucia Dwight took over for several years followed by Miss Laura Wright on her return from her first furlough, about 1928. During all those years from the very beginning of the Training School to the present many fine Egyptian women have graduated and taken up full time Christian Service among women and girls up and down the Nile Valley and across the populous Delta and into the larger towns and cities.

In The Delta Car

Finally, I had my full time to give to more intensive evangelistic work in the villages and larger towns of the Tanta district, taking my turn in using the Delta Car when the men missionaries were not using it. At other times I would go out on the train or bus to do my village work and this generally would require getting up very early as the trains I used started off at six o'clock in the morning. This was an advantage as it gave me a good full day. As a result I succeeded in opening up several village centers in which I located several young women who had finished their training. It was a pleasure and a real satisfaction to help them get established in their several village locations. I may say that I always reserved a room for myself, in the houses I rented for them so that I could spend days at a time with each worker and often we would gather in all the near by village workers and many of the village women for days of Bible study and prayer. We all looked forward to these times of Bible conferences and prayer retreats.

During the time I had charge of the Training School I thoroughly en-

The Delta Car

joyed going out on the Delta Car with two or three of the more advanced girls on what I called "Practical Work Expeditions," getting them experienced in presenting the gospel messages for which they had been trained in the school. The girls loved these trips and we found them very profitable and the village people loved to have them go among them and would always be quite alert to see which girl did the best in telling her Bible story or giving her Gospel message. The girls left behind with their teachers were careful to be well behaved so that they could soon get a turn of Practical Work in a village.

The Harvest Field

On one trip I decided to take the 12 or 15 girls of the school all out on a Practical Work trip. This time we took the Delta Car for the day only. We were a jolly crowd for it was great fun to be crowded into the close quarters of the little Delta railroad car, equipped only for two or three persons at a time. They had to take turns using the few chairs, sitting on the narrow beds, or even in a circle on the dining room floor. Finally we arrived and our Delta Car was shunted off to a siding. Getting off we found ourselves beside a wheat field, being carefully guarded by several village women for it was nearly harvest time and every grain was precious. Their "combine" was a small hand sickle and their "truck" was the heads of the women carrying the sheaves to the threshing floor across the road where the camel tramped it out. To make a beginning, I suggested we have a meeting right here with these few women, telling them the story of the loaves and fishes—the feeding of the five thousand. A couple of the girls were asked to tell the Bible story, each one taking a part. Then one of the village women hearers exclaimed, "That's all a lie, or a fable for how could so many people be fed with only 5 loaves and 2 fishes." I quickly plucked a head of wheat and asked her how many grains it held. She said "quite a lot." I said not long ago I counted and found a head of wheat contained 52 grains. Then I asked her how many grains had to be planted to produce one head of wheat and she said "one of course"!

Then one grain could produce fifty grains more or less." "How could that happen? Did the farmer do it?"

"No! No!" she said, "Allah did it"!

You know the non-Christians in Egypt believe in God—"Allah," as they say, but do not believe in Christ Jesus, that he died on the cross to save sinners, all those who believe in His redeeming grace. It did not take her long to see the point when we explained to her that God and Jesus who worked the miracle were one and the same. Because Jesus was God he could increase the loaves and fishes to feed five thousand at once in their time of need just as in one season of several months God makes one grain grow to produce 50 grains. From that point we explained to her our need of a Saviour to save us from sin and evil if we all including herself would believe in Him.

Ever afterwards when I would arrive in that village on the Delta Car this woman would come running from whatever work she was doing, asking for some more of those "sweet words written in your Book," and we generally had a fine meeting with a goodly number of both men and women. This is only one incident out of a great many to illustrate our Lord's words, "The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few. Pray ye the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into His field." *Pray ye! Pray ye! Intercessors are needed! Laborers are needed! The fields white unto the harvest cannot wait very long!*

Ceased Not To Teach

By MRS. LAURA WRIGHT, Superintendent of Bible Women's Training School, Tanta, Egypt

DOUBTLESS every missionary before coming to the field has visions of what her work will be. However what is in store for her is unpredictable. I often smile as I think how when a student in Biblical Seminary, New York City, I objected to the assignment given me of making out a three-year course of study for a Bible training school on the mission field because I considered the project so impractical. I was on the way to the field with visions of converting the people, teaching the ignorant, enlightening those in darkness, etc., so why spend precious time working on a course of study which I would never use. But when I was in America on my first furlough in 1928 I was assigned to Tanta to assume charge of The Bible Teachers' Training School and in the fall of that year upon my return to Egypt took over my assigned task. This has been my major assignment ever since—training Egyptian young women to do the task which I had dreamed of doing and since then I've spent many hours thinking on the course of study for our training school.

The responsibility of the task does not get lighter with the passing of the years. Just last week I went to look up one of our graduates who had gotten work in a hospital. In the course of the conversation I asked her, "Are you leaving off caring for souls, to care for bodies?" Her reply was "But caring for souls is such a frightening responsibility." Had she known English I would have quoted to her the jingle which runs thus:

"A tutor who tooted the flute
Tried to tutor two tooters to toot,
Said the two to the tutor
Is it harder to toot, or to tutor two
tooters to toot?"

Yes, it is harder.

However I understand her feelings exactly for being a missionary and one whose task is to train others to win souls for Christ is a "frightening responsibility."

Let me state the distinctive objective of The Bible Teachers' Training School. Our aim is to train young women in the Christian life in such a way that they shall demonstrate along with all else desirable that type of character for which the Bible stands; to train them for Christian leadership and service among their own people; to train them that they may be prepared to lead others to an intelligent, reverent, and practical knowledge of the Scriptures, teaching the Word in homes, or schools, or churches, to individuals and to groups. Especially do we want each girl to know Christ as her Saviour and Lord and to be able to make Him known to others as she has opportunity. So unto us is committed the task of teaching the Word to those who shall "cease not to teach" the Word.

Our curriculum is Bible-centered —Christ-centered. We want each girl to know the Word in her head, to stow it in her heart, to show it in her life, and to sow it in the world. We use the method which I learned at Biblical Seminary. It is the method of first hand study of the Bible in the student's mother tongue. Linda had wanted to come to us for ten years. This year her father consented. Yesterday she remarked in class, "How I thank God for this school and the way they teach the Bible." Teaching them a method of study enables them to feed upon the Word as long as they live.

Miss Laura B. Wright, Superintendent of Bible Teachers' Training School, Tanta, Egypt, Miss Roy, Miss Thompson, Miss Patton, Teachers in the School, and Bible Teachers who have come for a "refresher" course.

Our pupils come to us from all parts of Egypt. We require that the girl in order to enter be strong of body and healthy of mind, that she have a sincere love for the Lord Jesus and an earnest desire to learn in order to teach her own people the way of faith and salvation in and through Christ. A girl who has had secondary school work may do better notebook work, but she does not necessarily excel in character or in Christ-like living. We insist that a girl have primary school training or its equivalent, but now and again we let down the bars to admit a very promising girl who has had no opportunity to learn in her own village. I believe it was Plutarch who is given credit for saying that "the mind is not a vessel which calls for filling. It is a pile which simply requires kindling wood to start the flame of eagerness for original thought and ardor for truth."

A few days ago I was overseeing some repairs on the roof, when a messenger announced that a lady had brought me a girl. When I saw her I said, "I told you I could not accept the girl because she cannot read."

"Yes, but that was three months ago. She has learned to read; try her out."

A Gospel by Matthew was brought and surely enough she could read rather slowly. As I hesitated about taking her there passed before my mind four other village girls, who had wanted to come. They could hardly read when they came but they had learned all they could in their villages. All four of these girls progressed and did very acceptable work although it took them longer and became even better workers than some others who had better education. Also there passed before my mind the many thousands in the unreached villages and here was a village girl, who could go back and teach her own people. How could I let her go without giving her a chance? I said to her, "We need a girl to help with the cooking. Will you do that if we arrange to give you lessons until we see what you can do?" She answered eagerly, "I'll do anything, if you'll only take me."

We sent her to the hospital for a physical examination and she is being treated for bilharzia, askaris and trachoma—but a girl like that with

a spirit like hers has given great promise.

Twice a year (November and March) I like to get out on the Delta Car with as many Bible teachers and pupils as the little car can accommodate. We go out through the Delta to very needy places, look up all the Christians we can find and encourage them, and visit others with whom the Mission has had contacts through schools, and hospitals, or in other ways. This keeps before me the great need everywhere and I have an opportunity to see our Bible teachers at work in the task committed unto them. We have closer fellowship because of living in close quarters during that time and I come to appreciate our workers more.

A Glorious Fellowship

Last March while visiting in the villages the request came again from school teachers that we open the Bible School some time for teachers only. I promised that if we found twelve teachers interested in Bible study to such an extent that they would give a month of their summer holidays to serious study I would be willing to stay in Tanta and teach. As soon as I announced the plan back in Tanta, Miss Wilhelmina who has been a faithful, joyous teacher here for fifteen years said "I'll stay and help teach." Miss Zahia, one of our Bible teachers in the homes pled "Let me have the responsibility of feeding them." (She conducted a D.V.B.S. for sixty children at the same time.) Four of our pupils volunteered to stay that month to help with the house-keeping or in any way possible. Then Miss Wadea offered to help insisting in her humble way that there wasn't much she could do. When I asked Miss Roy, Miss Thompson, and Miss Patton if they would like to help out they assured me that I could count on them. We had many prayer partners. Announcements went out and the response was so much more than we expected that we had to limit the number for lack of space. Twenty-five attended, studied hard, and came to a new appreciation of the preciousness of the Word. Now I wish you could have heard them the last day when given an opportunity to express their gratitude to God or to give their testimony. The Spirit was working in many hearts and one after another arose and witnessed. Two had been born again and had found real rest during the conference; two others had been led to surrender all; many had been impressed with the daily lives of our teachers and pupils here, especially those who served, working very hard in the heat of July, but serving gladly. Sins of pride, selfishness, love of self and ease, ignorance, and disobedience were confessed. Many asked for our prayers that they might begin anew daily studying the Word and living to His glory.

Miss Laura B. Wright, two teachers in the school and four district workers

Now it is October and because of the epidemic of cholera the government is not opening schools this month. We have taken this as a challenge to give a special course this month to girls studying in higher schools. For unto us is committed

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Committed Unto Us---The Girls Of Egypt

By ANNA B. CRISWELL, LL.D., Assiut, Egypt

IT was Sheikh Mohammed Yusef, a teacher of long standing in Assiut, who expressed warmly his appreciation of the educational work of our Mission in Egypt. In a farewell address for a member of the staff leaving on furlough, he said, "Tell the people of America that we thank them for what they have done in their schools in Egypt. They have set standards which the Government has adopted; they have introduced new methods which have been followed in our other schools; they have been our leaders in the educational work. Take our thanks to America for all she has done for the boys and girls of Egypt."

At the combined commencement exercises of the two Mission schools in Assiut and the Nurses' Training School in May, Gabbani Bey, Technical Advisor to the Minister of Education, stated that the Mission had opened the first girls' school in a Egypt south of Cairo ,and theirs ha been the first Secondary school i the land. He might have include with the latter the kindergarten, th teacher training, the kindergarte training and the nurses' training. A review of the past shows that th Mission was not negligent in improv ing the educational opportunitie committed to it. The founders wer indeed wise when they recognize that teaching was as essential a par of Mission strategy as preaching The Christian schools have laid th strong foundation on which the last ing work of the Mission has bee built. It is due to them that we hav today a well educated and highly re spected clergy and efficient Chris tian lay leadership in the church an also in many civic movement throughout Egypt. In the temper ance work, in youth movements, i village work, in organizations fight ing disease and poverty you will fin

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Christian women and men as well. It was during their school days that their eyes were opened to the need and possibility of such service and they caught the vision of sharing in it. As teachers and doctors, lawyers and nurses, journalists and home makers they are helping to improve the social, religious and political conditions of Egypt.

They Serve In Villages

In the village of Arment near Luxor, lives a daughter of one of our first pastors. Ruth was educated in P.M.I. and Luxor School and then married a well-to-do man. Instead of settling to the accepted life of ease she was stirred by the condition of the neglected children of her village. First she opened a school in her own home where now 60 children are being taught. Then in rented rooms she opened an orphanage which furnishes a home for 16 little ones. Associated with her are the 25 members of her Young Women's Club who provide both financial and personal help. In addition they are reaching out to several nearby villages where no Christian work had been done. Ruth has set in motion all this work in addition to raising a fine family of four sons and two daughters. Her life is a living testimony to the value of Christian education. The work she is doing is being duplicated by women from our Girls' College in Cairo and other Mission schools.

They Pioneer In Nursing

Our educated Christian girls have taken the lead in the work of nursing. Such work was scorned by all until two daughters of prominent Christian families in Assiut gave several months of voluntary service in the Mission Hospital. This led to the establishment of a one year training course for nurses and later to a three year training school. Miss Gomer, the first gradute, is managing a big clinic in a densely population section of Cairo. Miss Wadea Hanna, another graduate, is at the head of the Princess Fouzia Clinic in Wilidia, near Assiut. This clinic was founded and endowed by the wife of Alfred Bey Wissa, an elder in our Second Church. Miss Wadea and her helpers minister to a stream of four or five hundred women daily who would otherwise suffer without help. It is the inspiration gained by contact with Christian ideals and teaching that leads to such service. It is our hope that a second nurses' training school for educated girls will be opened in our Tanta Hospital.

They Are Journalists

A sphere of increasing influence among women in Egypt is journalism. One of the first to enter this field was Miss Olivia Awaida of our Luxor Girls' School, and the present editor of "El Talaba," an attractive magazine for girls, is Miss Minerva Abaid of the same school. This magazine is welcomed by girls of our Mission and other schools.

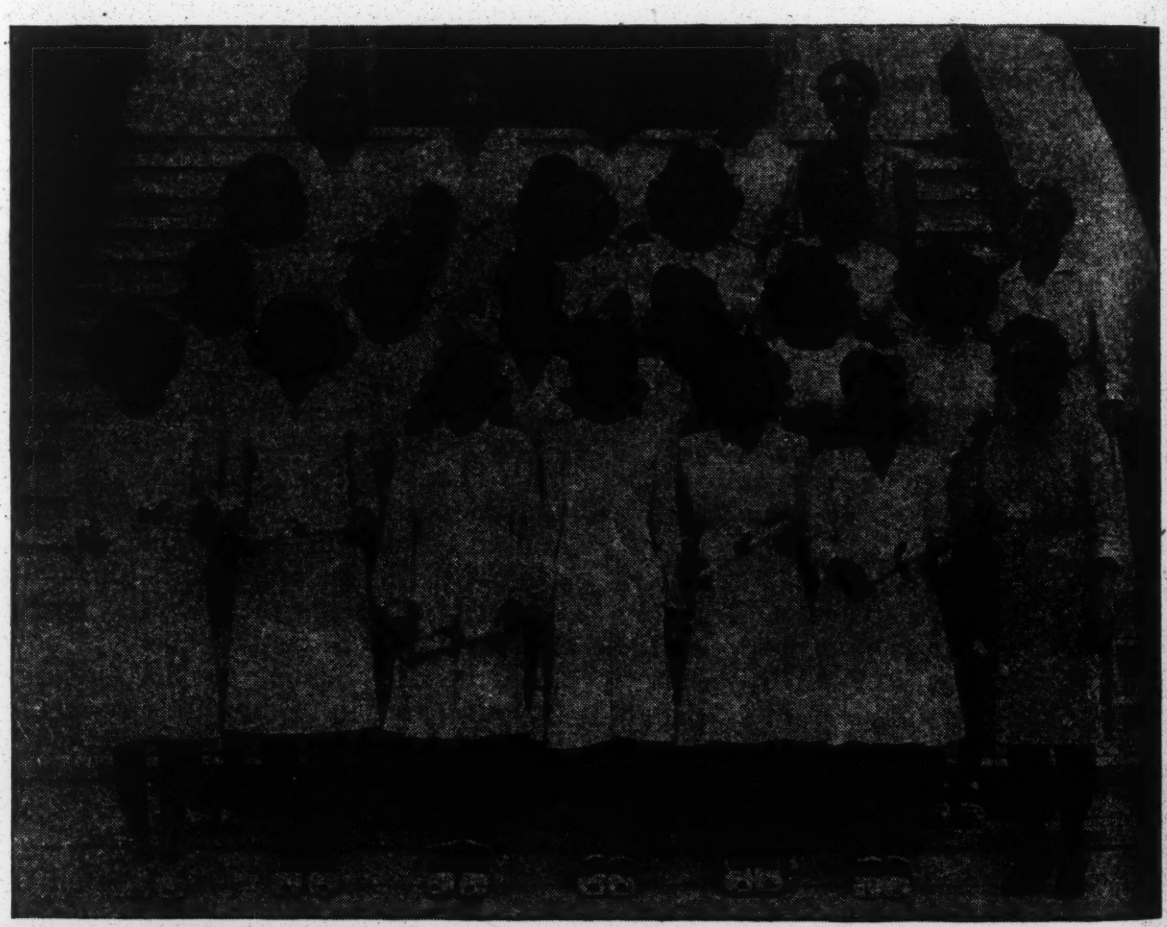
Social service has become very popular in Egypt now and here you will find Christian educated women taking a prominent part. A goodly number of our graduates are taking special training in this line in the Egyptian University. Miss Ida Gindy of the Girls' College is working for her doctor's degree in this subject in America. Because of the high ideals in her own home, the inspiration of her Christian training and the social position of her family, she will fill an important place in Egypt in the near future. Miss Lydia Matta of the Ezbekia School is now in Redcliffe School for Missionary Preparation in England preparing for wider service in connection with the Holland Mission.

They Fight Disease

The educated Christian women of Assiut have recently given yoeman service in a fight against malaria and relapsing fever. First the one

and then the other disease spread with alarming rapidity. Whole families and villages were being wiped out. The under-nourished bodies of the poor were unable to withstand the disease, and hundreds and thousands died. To fight the scourge the women were organized under the leadership of Madame Amina Sidky, the daughter of Sidky Pasha, former Prime Minister of Egypt. They opened a clinic in Assiut where treatments were given free. They made systematic visits to the surrounding villages ministering daily to the sick and distributing food and clothing. The work was strenuous, the hours were long, but month after month they continued their efforts until the disease was conquered. Their unselfish and untiring service won the admiration and gratitude of the whole community.

Egypt has made rapid advance in the education of girls in recent years. Not only are the Primary and Secondary Schools full but large numbers of girls are going on to the University. Ten years ago there were only 156 girls enrolled in the Fuad El Awal University in Cairo. Last year there were nearly 1,000 and several hundred more were in the Farook University in Alexandria and in the American University. Out of a class of 33 graduated at P.M.I. in 1946 all but 11 have taken advanced work. From our three other high schools and the Girls' College a like proportion are preparing themselves for positions of usefulness. The daily Bible lessons, the contact with teachers of earnest Christian character and the taste they have had of the joy of unselfish service while in school, will set the standards they will follow later.



Graduating Class of Pressly Memorial Institute, Assiut, Egypt. These girls go out to serve their country, their church, their homes and their Lord.

They Lead In Literacy Work

Recently Egypt has had a demonstration of what can be accomplished by voluntary service. In January Dr. Laubach visited us and started a literacy campaign. A primer was prepared and volunteers enlisted who would teach illiterates to read. There was a splendid response from the boys and girls in the Christian schools and from the men and women of the Evangelical Church. One of the promoters of the campaign is Miss Hilana Michael who travelled all over Upper and Middle Egypt to arouse interest and enrol volunteers. She is also helping publish new books for these learners and shares with Miss Finney and others in directing the movement from Cairo. She has given unsparingly of her strength and rejoices in the privilege of strenuous service. She stresses the fact that Egypt will be really helped only through the unselfish and consecrated service of her own people. In our Mission schools you will find many young girls who are getting an inspiration and training for such service. The Volunteer Meetings held by the girls in the poorer homes on Sabbath afternoons, and the Daily Vacation Bible Schools carried on in their villages during the summer, have attracted many workers. Their expressions of pleasure and satisfaction resulting from the work lead others to join the service.

They Teach In Schools

It is as teachers that a large number of our educated girls find their place of influence. There is a constant demand for teachers for our own and other mission schools. And in recent years the Government schools have taken on a considerable number of Mission trained teachers. This situation has made an imperative demand for more and better trained teachers. We rejoice that the W.W.C.A. is making it possible to re-open the Teacher Training School in Assiut. We look forward to raising the efficiency of our Mission schools through these trained teachers.

They Demonstrate Christian Homes

But in Egypt as in every land, women find their highest sphere in the home. It is here that the work of our schools is most fruitful. Whether you visit the homes of the wealthy or the homes of the teachers and pastors or the earthen floor rooms of the poor you can soon see the results or the lack of Christian training. The wife of the pastor at Maghagha is a P.M.I. graduate. Her home is immaculate and is always open to entertain the pastor's many friends. Her little boy is well cared for. She herself helps conduct the large girls' school sponsored by the church and acts as organist for the various meetings. The teachers of the school have a room in her home where their conservative parents know they are carefully looked after. She fits well into the picture of a virtuous woman painted by Solomon.

In another home in Assiut you will find Tohfa who is nearly blind through the ill treatment of her worthless husband. She is wretchedly poor. There is nothing for food or clothing except what she gets through begging. But she has managed to create a real home. School privileges for the children have been few but all have been taught to love God and to be found in His house. Already they have begun to establish homes of their own where God is having a welcome place. Tohfa would never have accomplished all this had not Dr. and Mrs. Finley put her in school years ago. Her school days were not many but they are bearing rich fruit.

God committed unto us a great task in the education of the girls of Egypt and there have been many rich results. But the task is far

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By Prayer And Supplication

By HARVEY E. PHILIPS, Ph.D., Salem, New York

FOR every lover of Egypt, the nineteenth chapter of Isaiah holds a precious promise: "The Lord shall be known to Egypt, and the Egyptians shall know the Lord."

Located at the crossroads of the world, Egypt has been for centuries the pawn of more powerful nations. From the sixth century B. C. and onward, they have been under the domination of foreign governments. Persia, Greece, Rome, Constantinople, the various Caliphs of Islam and modern European powers have succeeded one another as rulers of Egypt. Throughout these centuries her people have never known real independence. As a nation they have suffered much and the end is not yet.

But this small country that has known so much of frustration, defeat and oppression holds a large place in the thought of God. After Israel, no nation is mentioned so often in Scripture as Egypt. The words "Egypt" and "Egyptian" are found in our Bible over six hundred times.

Our special interest dates back to the beginning of the Christian era. There were Egyptian Jews and proselytes who went to Jerusalem as pilgrims at the time of Pentecost and without doubt they shared in the birthday blessings of the Christian Church. It was not long after Pentecost until there was an organized church in Egypt and in due time it attained a position of importance and influence among other national churches of the empire. Some of her sons were outstanding in their scholarship and they became great interpreters of Gospel truth and mighty defenders of "the faith once for all delivered to the saints." (Jude 3, RSV). Because of the splendid development in the early Egyptian Church we have every reason to believe that her leaders were men of prayer. It was a great church, thought by some to number some eight or nine million souls. But sin crept into the Church, jealously, strife and division. In the seventh century of the Christian era (640) God permitted the invasion of Egypt by the Mohammedans who soon became the real rulers of the

Attarine Mosque, Alexandria, Egypt, as seen from the porch of the American Mission Building. This mosque stands on or near the site of the church of Athanasius.

land. The Church in Egypt was brought very low. Indeed it was almost annihilated.

Almost a century ago, (It was in 1854), God sent three missionaries into the land of Egypt. Others followed and the task of evangelization was begun anew. Those first messengers of the pure Gospel believed the promise, and their successors still believe, that, "The Lord shall be known to Egypt and the Egyptians shall know the Lord." One cannot read the history of the American Mission and the Evangelical Church in Egypt without being convinced that the witnesses of the Gospel of grace, both foreigners and Egyptians, had power with God. Because they realized their own weakness they sought and found power through that "wisdom that is from above." An outstanding characteristic and distinction of Evangelical Christians in Egypt is their knowledge of the Word of God and their ability in prayer. From the beginning of the Evangelical Church, by precept and by example the missionaries and the pastors have kept before their people the prime importance of prayer and Bible study.

There have been some great prayers on the American Mission staff. There is no satisfactory explanation for the exploits of the pioneers, other than that they walked with God. . . . The churches they planted, the schools they opened and the institutions they founded did not come to pass as a matter of course. Every one of them was laid upon the true foundation and was undergirded with prayer.

One thinks of Margaret Smith who, "By prayer and supplication," brought into being and provided for an orphanage of fifty to sixty girls without one penny of appropriation from Mission funds. Ella O. Kyle "through prayer and supplication" became the founder of our splendid College for Girls in Cairo. Carrie M. Buchanan was given a piece of ground and some fifteen thousand dollars and produced a school that cost at least fifty thousand dollars. Dr. L. M. Henry who left America under a great urge to bring healing to the afflicted in Egypt finally erected a splendid hospital that became self-supporting. Dr. Thomas J. Finney erected our four story Mission building in the heart of Alexandria—a building that eventually paid for itself and accumulated enough surplus funds to keep the building in repair for years. All these achievements were the fruit of victory after prolonged and strenuous battles of prayer. These all lived and died in faith and their monuments remind us that a prayer-answering God can still work miracles.

Miss Anna Y. Thompson was a true noblewoman and one of God's choicest saints. She erected no building, nor did she establish any great institution. Her crown of rejoicing is found in the lives of the Egyptian pastors and their people who were spiritually quickened through her ministry. She had a remarkable memory for names and faces and it is safe to say that she knew personally more Egyptians than any missionary who has ever served in Egypt. For many years Miss Thompson was burdened because the missionaries and the Egyptian pastors did not come into closer spiritual fellowship. When they met at Presbytery or Synod the "business of the Church" occupied most of the time and the more important business of prayer was given a secondary place. Miss Thompson longed for a meeting given wholly to prayer. All of the pastors were devoted to her and sometimes she told them that their ministry would be blessed if only they would spend more time in prayer. One of her very special friends was the late Rev. Gabrial Mikhael el Daba'. He was a man of genuine piety and of real spiritual strength. He also had the

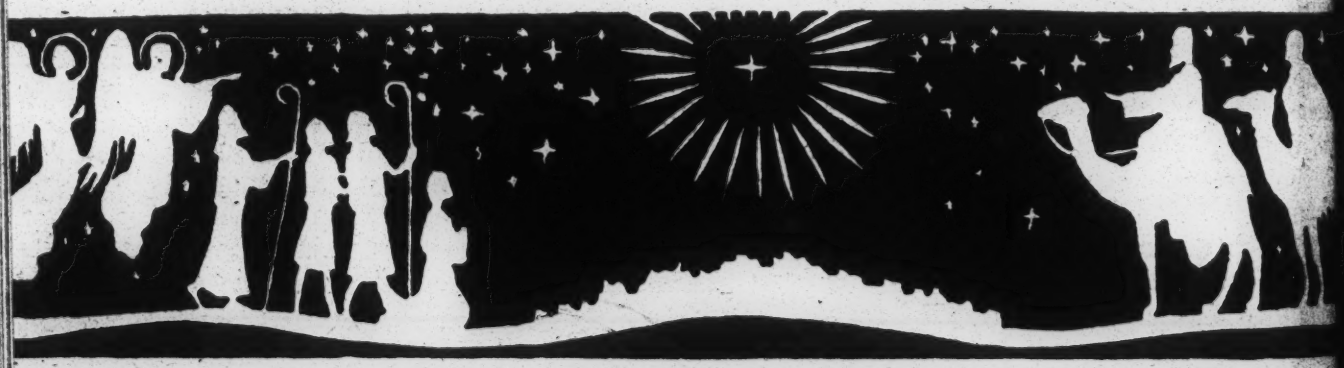
A Church by the Riverside. There are many such churches along Egypt's river and in Egypt's Villages.

qualities of leadership. Through her earnestness he became deeply impressed with the need for more prayer in the Church and especially among his fellow pastors.

There are varying stories as to how the first Prayer Conference was launched so our record may not be absolutely accurate. This much is established. Miss Thompson had been praying for years for some prayer movement in the Mission and the Church. Rev. Gabriel Mikhael became burdened and suggested to some of his friends that they should meet and have a time of prayer. A day was appointed, a place of meeting arranged and an invitation extended to other pastors. The response was beyond their expectations. They agreed at this initial meeting that there should be an annual meeting for all the pastors and missionaries. The following year there was a great gathering and much blessing. It has now become an established custom for pastors and other Christian workers to attend the Annual Prayer Conference which is held in turn at Assiut, Minia and Cairo. Many of the pastors would not think of missing this conference. It is a "must" in the yearly calendar of the Church.

Latterly there is a three day program arranged. After the devotional period there is a Bible Study bearing on the general theme of the Conference. This Bible study is followed by an extended period of prayer. Sometimes the presiding minister indicates who shall lead first but usually the leadership is left to the Holy Spirit and often those who have the largest part in the audible prayers are colporteurs and lay preachers and others from the lowly walks of life. Then there are addresses morning and afternoon each followed by prayer and in the evening many of the pastors are asked to preach in the churches of the city and neighboring towns.

Not only in this annual conference but in the Women's Presbyterials, in the Bible School and day schools and Bible Women's conferences prayer is given a larger place than in former years. We often say that the Evangelical Church is the hope of Egypt. We believe that this Church is the instrument chosen of God to bring to pass the promise "The Lord shall be known to Egypt and the Egyptians shall know the Lord." When we meet with them in prayer our faith is strengthened.



Egypt's Outreach

By F. SCOTT THOMPSON, D.D., On Furlough, Princeton, N. J.

IN both of the Twentieth Century World Wars the strategic importance of Egypt was clearly recognized in the constant struggles for its possession. It has been classified as an extension of Europe and again as the gateway to Asia and also as the northern entrance of Africa. It is well known as the intellectual center of Mohammedanism and has a position of leadership in the Arab world. Egypt's influence is great and far-reaching in the Middle East and throughout North Africa and the Sudan.

Early in its history our Mission in Egypt adopted the policy of encouraging the establishment and development of a self-supporting, self-directing and self-extending Egyptian Church. As a witness to the successful results of following this aim, we find in Egypt today under the Synod of the Nile in its five presbyteries, leaving the Presbytery of the Sudan out of the account, approximately 25,000 church members, 143 congregations, 96 mission stations and 161 ordained ministers of whom only 15 are American missionaries. The work of the Synod is conducted on a democratic basis and the Egyptian pastors and elders who are members outnumber the Americans who are members by almost 20 to 1. Funds raised in Egypt now support fully the work of the organized congregations. Mission funds help in the support of the unorganized centers, the Theological Seminary and special activities of the Synod.

Last year 1098 members united with the Church in Egypt. The influence of the Church extends far beyond the roll of its members and their families. Its church services and its Sabbath and day schools are attended by large numbers from families who are not communicant church members. The Church's methods of work, its standards of

The Church at Heliopolis — a City Church
There are 19 United Presbyterian churches (There called Evangelical) in the City of Cairo, Egypt

The Theological Seminary of the Evangelical Church of Egypt
Under the Control of the Synod of the Nile

life and stewardship have had a very marked influence on other Christian religious organizations in Egypt. Its well-educated and capable ministers and laymen are leaders in inter-church cooperative movements. The Church with its schools, its meetings, its literature, its social betterment activities and its high ethical standards is having an effective influence on its Mohammedan neighbors. In many cases their tolerance, interest and appreciation have been aroused.

The foreign mission outreach of the Egyptian Church has been naturally in the direction of the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. In the development of the Evangelical Church in the Sudan, Egypt has had an important part. All but one of the ordained ministers of this Church are from Egypt and are graduates of Assiut College and of the Synod's Theological Seminary in Cairo. The Egyptian Church also makes each year a considerable financial contribution to the support of the Church in the Sudan.

As we think of the strategic importance of Egypt, both in the political and religious worlds, and rejoice in the growing vision and strength of the Egyptian Evangelical Church there are two courses to be avoided, either of which would lead to danger and disaster for a work that has been carefully and wisely nurtured for more than 90 years.

On the one hand we must not undertake to do for the Church things which it can and should do for itself. We must not retain authority and assume responsibilities which the Church is willing and able to undertake.

On the other hand, we must not load on the Church or pass over to it burdens greater than it is able to bear. It would be easy and quite unfair to expect too much both in vision and in strength of this small and young Church. The circumstances under which it developed and the conditions surrounding it today must be carefully and sympathetically remembered. It is a small minority of a small minority of Christians in a land dominated by the followers of another and an antagonistic faith. The leaders and members of the Church have every right to expect our continued help, and in some things our leadership, in this time

of crisis and uncertainty as well as of need and opportunity.

In most activities the Church and the Mission share. There are some areas in which boundary lines of authority and responsibility are and should be carefully and cheerfully recognized and observed. We need no guards and guns at the borders between the Church and the Mission. Christian brotherhood, free from self-seeking prejudice, realized that some things can be better done by the Church and others better done by the Mission.

During recent years there has been danger that the Mission and our home Church count on the Church in Egypt for more than its strength and circumstances permit it to do. We have been tempted to crowd the Church's hopper too full. We have been led by possibly too great optimism regarding the ability of the Church and driven by trying conditions. We have had a disappointing shortage of Mission staff and funds. In recent war years we have had a vastly increased index of living costs. But the Church has had peculiar problems and difficulties also. We have not been able to save the situation by the easy method of merely turning over work and responsibilities to the Church already heavily loaded. In the face of unusually trying conditions both for the Church and for the Mission, we cannot say to the Church, "You go on forward, we are beating a retreat."

In the case of Egypt and our Mission in Egypt there is no House of Saul. We are both brothers in the House of David. And until the brothers are more nearly equal in strength, and until their conditions are more similar, the elder brother must still give sympathy and help to the younger.

In the midst of critical conditions the Church in Egypt reaches out willing and eager hands to the great needs and peculiar opportunities in Egypt and the Sudan, but it stretches out also appealing hands to us in America and hopefully calls for our continued and increased help.

May Day at Pressley Memorial Institute, Assiut, Egypt. These are the coming leaders in the work of the church in Egypt.

Doing What They Can

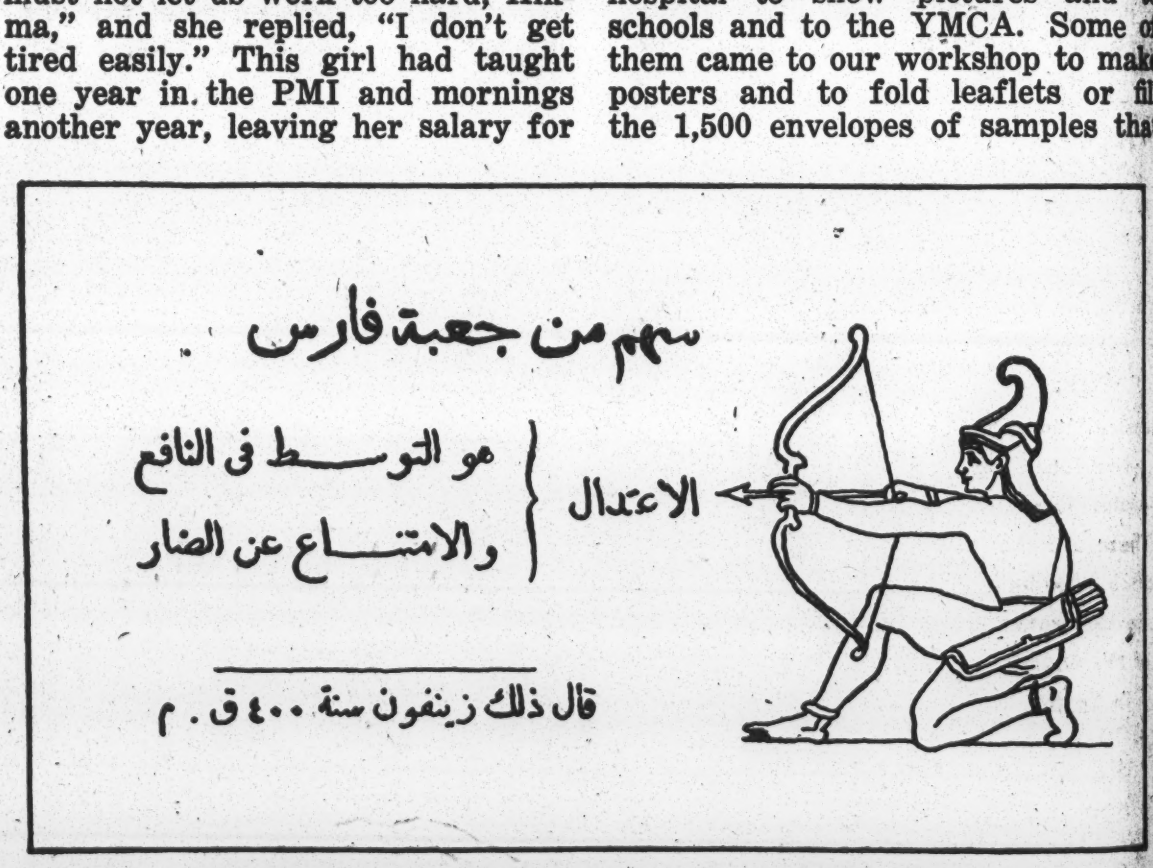
Sketches of the Helpers in Temperance Work

By MRS. F. S. HOYMAN, W.C.T.U. Secretary for Egypt, Syria and Palestine

TWO young women had spent the morning in a little school in a village church. They taught songs and sewing, furnishing the cloth, thread and needles. They told stories and played games and sometimes showed them (pupils) how to clean their church. They inspired their C. E. Society to knit sweaters for them and managed to have old clothing made over. It is quite a walk back to their own nice homes but after lunch one went to the mission school (the PMI) to teach two classes for an absent teacher. Then I took her to another big girls' school and we showed temperance pictures to two groups of one hundred twenty each. As we went home I said, "You must not let us work too hard, Hikma," and she replied, "I don't get tired easily." This girl had taught one year in the PMI and mornings another year, leaving her salary for a scholarship. She paints the lantern slides beautifully and helps in other ways in the temperance work. With her friend, Myrtle, of the village school work she has prepared a good book of temperance lessons which will soon be published.

Myrtle is also ready at any time to help with meetings when schools come unexpectedly to the Exhibit. Once a late request came for pictures for the college Prep and she at once agreed to go, telling the stories with great acceptance to two or three hundred small boys. Not long ago Aida arranged a meeting for two hundred drivers of street carriages, a needy group, and they were delighted. She is most clever in arranging plays and programs.

Several other girls went to the hospital to show pictures and to schools and to the YMCA. Some of them came to our workshop to make posters and to fold leaflets or fill the 1,500 envelopes of samples that



A Temperance Lesson carved in stone in an old temple in Egypt

go out beforeTemperance Week each November. They helped the WCTU hold the big teas for soldiers in the Exhibit room the college has so kindly given us. Many service folk gained new ideas of what those from mission schools are trying to do for their country's underprivileged.

A spirit of social service is growing and two Schools of Social Work are training workers and volunteers. A number of women fought malaria and relapsing fever and are pushing work against tuberculosis and poverty. Assiut has a Boy's Club carried on by a committee and seventy boys find recreation, food and baths. Several women support their own elementary schools and furnish lunch at least once a week to the children.

You know of the Khayatt school supported for seventy years by that family and now by a daughter, Mrs. Nasif Bey Wissa. One third of its five hundred and fifty girls are free. You have heard of Mrs. Alfred Bey Wissa, her sister, who for fifteen years has supported a clinic for children in its special building. Several times a year the charts show over five hundred patients from many villages. Mrs. Azer Bey Goubran, president of the W.C.T.U. of Egypt is well known for her many benevolences. Time fails to tell of more but the Daily Vacation Bible Schools must be mentioned and the hundreds of people working with illiterates in the Laubach method of reading. Christians are especially active and are making a notable contribution to Egypt.

Young men are very helpful in temperance. It provides an acceptable avenue of service for both religions. Students constantly borrow projectors and hold meetings in their clubs, Sabbath Schools, homes and schools or bring their friends to the Exhibit. One Senior in government school held thirty or forty such meetings in a year; a college boy is out in vacations in nearby towns. There are boys from the Trades School who spend their free morning making slides and posters. College boys this summer planned ninety D.V.B. Schools.

Some years ago a government employee lost his sight but said, "I don't want to be useless the rest of my life" so he offered to teach Christian boys in non-Christian schools their own religion. He became interested in temperance and has distributed great amounts of literature in schools and elsewhere. Now he has a temperance society of a hundred members in one of our Cairo churches. Often he goes with the young men to preach in the villages.

Do you say, "What are these among so many? What impression will scores or even hundreds make among almost 18,000,000 people"? We too would ask of you that same question even while we remind ourselves of the loaves and fishes in the hands of our Lord.

CEASED NOT TO TEACH

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the Word to teach, and in such a busy world we must keep on the alert for opportune moments.

Sabbath morning after church I met with the two teachers in our school and three of our graduates who teach the Word in the homes and in our hospital here to talk over the work and for fellowship in prayer. I said a fervent Amen in my heart when Miss Wadea thanked the Lord for counting her worthy to serve, for committing to her the task of teaching the precious Word.

Worship Service

For Program Study: Evangelism

Worship Theme for the Year: "Ye shall receive power . . . Ye shall be witnesses."

By MRS. THOMAS R. SARVER, Wheeling, West Virginia

FOR JANUARY PROGRAM

"Rekindle Our Missionary Interest"

B. S. H. No. 105.

Scripture: Acts 10: 36-48; Jude 1: 20-25.

LEADER: It was the duke of Wellington who, when questioned concerning the mission of the Church, replied in true military style, "How read your marching orders?" Our orders are to make disciples of all nations. Christ's call to *all* His followers is to go into all the world with His Gospel, but the world for us begins where we live and move and have our being. Since the missionary road leads to the ends of the earth, those who follow it find their horizons stretching to lands they may never view with the physical eye. The Christian who has an interest in the missionary enterprise of the Church finds himself lifted above the petty stifling things of everyday living, the things that would hem him in and limit his sphere of influence and activity. He is placed on a higher plane of service. No longer is he bound by the thought of *my* time, *my* possessions but he begins to think in terms of *ours* and *yours;* finally he considers all things in the light of God's children, God's love, God's will. The missionary idea began in the heart of God. Missions are His heartbeats and they throb with life, with love, with power. The Word of God is not only the missionary textbook, it is a source of missionary power for it is charged with a world consciousness. As we read and study the Bible we become world citizens. Our hearts are stirred with a passion for the souls of men in America, in Egypt, India, Ethiopia, the Sudan, yes, in all the world! When we follow our missionary interests and obey our marching orders, we vitalize our lives and the life of our Church for we are then moving in rhythm with the heartbeats of our Father and He pours out a rich blessing of power, of life itself. Let us never forget that the mission cause of the Christian Church is the most creative, most constructive, most worth-while adventure in the world. From the standpoint of area covered, number of years carried on, money expended, lives spent and lives redeemed, bodies healed, minds trained, and standards raised, the missionary enterprise is the greatest movement the world has ever known. In no other endeavor can we receive such great returns on our investments. With Christ as our partner, our prayers, gifts, talents, and lives are blessed and used, miraculously increased by the Master Himself. As we pray for the rekindling of our interest, may we who are parents be willing to follow the example of God who sent His only Son into the world as the first full-time foreign missionary. May we, too, be willing to send a son or a daughter unto the uttermost parts of the earth that those lost in darkness may see a great Light.

PRAYER: Our Father, may we truly be stirred to greater interest in the advancement of Thy Kingdom. May we take Thy command to heart and pour out our lives to bring the lost to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Amen.

B. S. H. No. 21.

News From Afar

Egypt

MRS. W. B. JAMISON, Editor, Tanta, Egypt

NEW RECRUITS

It is a great joy to our hearts to have new young missionaries coming to the mission field. The following are some of those who have joined us recently.

The Reverend and Mrs. K. Glen Fleming have been transferred from the Sudan to Egypt. Their appointment is now Alexandria. Mr. Fleming will take over the work of Dr. Galloway, a very successful and experienced missionary who was compelled to leave Egypt on account of the ill health of Mrs. Galloway. Mr. Fleming is spending part time on the study of Arabic. Mrs. Fleming has been appointed to the Commercial School in Alexandria.

Rev. James Pollock, son of Dr. and Mrs. Pollock of Pittsburgh and Mrs. Pollock, who was Rachel Buchanan, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Howard Buchanan, are continuing language study in Cairo.

Our own son Dr. Paul W. Jamison and his wife, formerly Mary Martha Orr, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Orr of Westminster College, New Wilmington, Pa., are living with us here in Tanta.

Rev. Paul McClanahan, Mrs. McClanahan and three children are with their parents Dr. and Mrs. Neal McClanahan in Assiut.

Miss Millie Kelso, is in Cairo giving her full time to the study of the language. Rev. Paul Musser, and Mrs. Musser, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Newcomb of Pittsburgh, are in Assiut as short term missionaries.

All these are welcome! And we long for more to come!

SUMMER CONFERENCE FOR PASTORS AND EVANGELISTS*

A wonderful conference for pastors and evangelists was held in Tanta, Egypt, July 21-28, 1947. The meeting was in the lovely Mary Clokey Porter Girls School, which was large enough to accommodate more than one hundred guests. On the ground floor of this building is a large dining room, with kitchen attached. Miss Louisa Naseef Girgawi managed the cooking and serving of the meals to this large group.

My husband says that the Holy Spirit worked very definitely and the results were more outstanding spiritually than in any similar conference he has attended in Egypt. The pastors by Saturday and Sabbath were praying to God for a new work on His part in their individual lives and were reconsecrating their lives in a most wonderful way. A number gave unreserved testimony to a new vision and a new purpose therefore we should expect definite blessing in the church, in general.

Sabbath afternoon at 5:30 there was a communion service, which was the concluding formal service but the men in the dormitories sang and prayed until midnight, and after. Then they were singing again at 5:30 in the morning. It was evident that they had received a great blessing. We are all thankful.

Dr. Ralph McLaughlin, whose mother provided the funds for the expenses of the conference, was ill, and unable to do much. My husband, and others shouldered the responsibilities and services went right along as far as plans were concerned. The important part is what was done by the Holy Spirit in the lives of all who were present.

Mrs. Bradley Watkins.

* This was a special conference and not the Annual Pastors' Conference which was later planned for October 14-16. On account of the cholera epidemic, this had to be postponed.

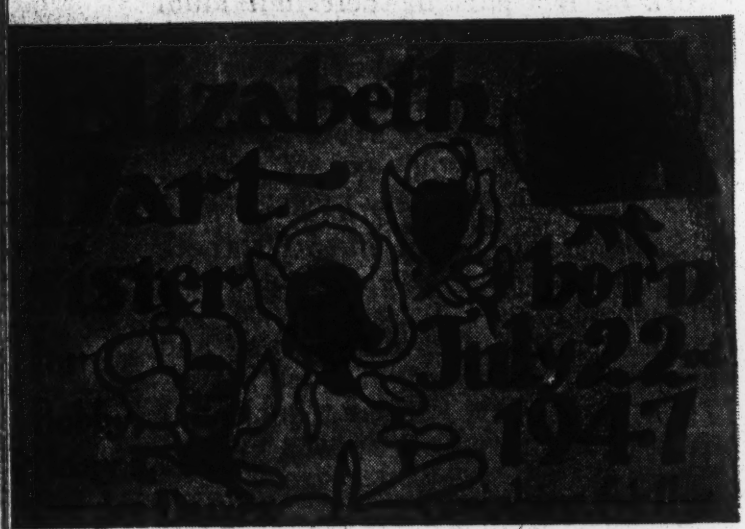
Ethiopia

MRS. RUTH LOBAUGH WALKER, Editor

A LETTER FROM ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA

Dear Friends:

The heaviest part of the rainiest season is upon us, out here on the table-land of Africa, and uncomfortable though it is, everything in nature is blossoming, and vegetation is at its height. A new blossom has appeared on the Davies family tree, Elizabeth Hart Davies, born on her maternal grandmother's birthday, July 22, 1947, and one day before the birthday of the Emperor of Ethiopia! How happy we are with this darling little girl, and how we thank the Lord that she is given to us to raise for the Lord. We are all delighted beyond expression!



The little Sister who came to the Davies home

Yesterday was an Ethiopian festival for the children, called Boohay. The grasses are long now in the fields, and the boys have made long whips, which they crack with resounding reports. Going over a hill one time on horseback, we thought we were being shot at, because of several loud, gun-like reports, but it was two small boys with their whips above us, sounding for all the world like rifles. This festival is mainly enjoyed by the little boys, who go from place to place singing songs and getting gifts of a special kind of bread. Traditionally, the festival is supposed to commemorate the ascension of Mary to heaven, and the whips are supposed to commemorate the scourging of the early Christians. Groups of little boys came from early to late, singing and refusing to leave until they were given presents, which consisted, from us, of a scripture portion and a white roll apiece. Except for the well-to-do families who celebrate Christmas much as we do, this Boohay festival comes more to being the children's holiday of the year, rather then the Ethiopian Christmas. The Mohammedan feast of Ramadan has just finished, and one-third, approximately, of Ethiopia has kept this fast, eating and drinking nothing while the sun is up. As soon as night descends, they eat and drink, and rise early to eat and drink again while the sun comes up.

One of the great burdens on our hearts, and one of the greatest needs in Ethiopia is for Christian literature. We are seeking to get permission, both from the government and the Mission, to get a mission off-set printing press, and to get some of our best Christian literature into the hands of the Christians of our churches. If you know anything about this type of printing, please write us and send us literature, for one of the lasting things we could do with a mission press would be to supply the ever-increasing demand for good reading, most especially of spiritual material.

We need your prayers as never before. And a letter once in a while would bring us great joy! All of us send our love and best wishes!

Donald and Ruth Davies
and the children.

Sudan

Mrs. RIED F. SHIELDS, Editor

LIGHT IN DARK AFRICA

By MARY SMITH, M.D.,
Nasir, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan

As I'm almost back to Nasir again after my jaunt to the Congo, I must share some of the highlights with you while they are fresh in my mind.

I enjoyed all of what I saw in the Congo so much. I really wasn't very far in—not much more than across the border, but even there, there were many hills and it was both cooler and higher than the Sudan. I was staying with friends of the African Inland Mission at Aba and the mission site is on a hill. The scenery and the views from there were a constant delight.

Mary K. Smith, M.D. The only woman physician in any of our fields in Africa

One thing that impressed me very much at Dr. Klienschmit's hospital was the literature stand on the clinic porch. It took an almost constant attendant for men and women both were demanding something to read — tracts, gospels, Testaments, simple commentaries—even arithmetic books and primers. They sold at cost, but people who had only a few francs seemed eager to spend them at the book stand. I thought how such a book stand would look on our porch at Nasir—for it is only the rarely occasional Nuer who *could* read, even if we did have the books for him to buy.

Sabbaths I had the privilege of seeing another side of the work. I couldn't see all of it the same Sabbath for there was too much overlapping, but it was a great thrill to go to the mission church at 8:00 in the morning and see the place packed with 300 Sabbath School youngsters and know that at the same time Sabbath Schools of at least a hundred children each were being held in two or three other places within a half hour's drive of the mission. The Sabbath School teachers were a varied lot—teachers from the school, one or two of the medical boys, girls from the school, and, most interesting of all to me, some of the wives and mothers of the community. If her baby was too young to sit on one of the benches in one of the classes, a mother taught with it tied to her back or caught in a sling over her hip, and the baby slept or played or cried as it saw fit, and no one paid any attention to it. The thought that its mother should have stayed home with it was the furthest from anyone's mind. Church followed Sabbath School, and the room was nearly full. There were two services—one evangelistic for visitors and non-Christians, the other expository. I was interested to see that nearly every one stayed for both services.

But the biggest treat of all the day was going out with Mrs. Klienschmidt to a coffee plantation some 15-20 miles away for an afternoon Sabbath School. An open building with a grass roof had been put up by the combined efforts of the local Christians, Dr. Klienschmidt, and the plantation supervisor. A group of volunteer teachers went out with Mrs. Klienschmidt each Sabbath and

He waits—For the Doctor, for the Teacher, for the "Messenger of Christ, who cometh late"

were assisted by the two native village school teachers. And you should see the crowd of folk big and little who eagerly come—a small boy dragging a smaller brother, a little girl with the newest baby clutched in her arms—scads of every size, eyes popping; one youngster wailing because he had no collection to give. The singing (loud and lusty and from their hearts), their so aliveness to it all stirred one deeply, for God's word was being poured out and was soaking deeply into the heart of young Africa. . . .

And yet that is only one side of the picture. We must look at the other. Right in that very area are many who cannot be bothered to listen, or who have heard but slipped back again into the old life, or are being given a thing called Christian that is not of our Lord. There are vast stretches of Africa where the word has not yet been preached, and there are many others, as among our own Nuer, where the preaching is far more adequate and where so many have not yet heard with their hearts. There are those definitely antagonistic to the gospel.

Let us give thanks for what the Lord has done and is doing. But we need above all to pray as we have never prayed that all of Africa's heart may be opened wide, and that our Lord will supply the laborers to do the planting and harvesting in His vineyard before it is too late.

India

Mrs. P. A. MILLER, Editor, Gujranwala, India

WEDDING BELLS IN THE PUNJAB

By Mrs. J. G. Campbell,
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It is always thrilling to go to a wedding! But this wedding was Miss Nellie Joseph's! Did you ever read "Our India Mission," by Dr. Andrew Gordon? If not, you have a treat ahead of you. It is as interesting as a novel, and it is true. Get a copy and read the thrilling story of Kanaya who became a Christian years ago in his village near Zafarwal. To persecute him for accepting Christ and rejecting the old, hopeless ways of his Meg relatives and caste, his wife, Pyari, and his little children were kidnapped and carried away off into Jammu State of Kashmir. Kanaya followed and after many hardships and thrilling adventures—appearing time after time in the Raja's court—was finally successful because a letter from Queen Victoria had required that this Christian family should be reunited.

Nellie is the youngest of all Kanaya's and Pyari's grand-children. Her father is Mr. E. Joseph, who is in charge of the Library and Read-

One of the finest experiences the "Trio"—Mrs. Randles, Mrs. Boobyer and the Editor—had in their tour of the India Mission field was with Mr. Joseph in the Library and Reading Room in Sargodha and a noonday dinner in his home with the assembled family.—EDITOR.

ing Room in Sargodha, a man much beloved and respected by all communities. Nellie teaches in the Government High School for Girls. Dr. Wazir Shah, the groom, practices in Ajnala, Punjab.

The difficulties of having a Punjabi wedding in these days of slim rations are great. Not only are supplies very meager, but the law strictly limits the number of guests to be invited. The big meeting tent was pitched in front of the Reading Room and gay matting, garlands of white paper chains, flowers and bright table covers made it a very attractive place for the ceremony. Rev. Ganda Mall, the oldest of these children, who had been kidnapped, read the simple, impressive marriage service.

What did Nellie wear? Of course you want to know that! A beautiful off-white sari of soft, shimmering silk. No womans' garment anywhere is more graceful than the Indian sari and Nellie looked lovely in hers!

After the service tea was served to about fifty guests. The wedding cake was both beautiful and delicious, although white flour has not been available for more than a year. Among the guests were Non-Christian teachers from the Government School. These women, seeing for the first time a Christian wedding, were much impresed by the dignity, simplicity and solemnity of the service. So many friends all over the city wanted to be invited but this was not possible in the stringency of the present times.

How Christianity makes us one! Nellie's people are of Hindu background. The Wazir Shahs are from the Muslims. Now they are one in Christ Jesus. May the love of God radiate from this new Christian home and may their Hindu and Muslim neighbors in this distressed, divided Punjab see that in Christ all communities *can* be one.

Mabel Y. Campbell.

PAKISTAN—AS WE FOUND IT

Part of a recent letter
By MISS MARGARET FEHLMAN

Added to all the sorrows of this sorrowful land were the floods that spread disaster over 120 villages along the Ravi river.

We missionaries were marooned in the Hills during the riots and were making every effort to get trains back to our stations. It was necessary to get permision from the civil authorities to enter Pakistan and to be given safe conduct. Finally arrangements were made for us to travel by way of the British Military office on the Military Mail Special. We traveled through pouring rains crossing other flooded rivers. Though our car leaked we did not complain as we saw thousands of refugees on open freight cars, packed on top of passenger cars in motor cars, in ox-carts and on foot.

Dr. Campbell whose car had been in Gujranwala for repairs was able to take several of the ladies to their destinations.

We had heard terrible tales of cruelty, of ruined buildings of looting, of arson and of dead bodies, but we could hardly believe it until we returned.

Sheikhapura suffered more than any other of our mission centers.

A few notes from the *Pakistan Times* of October 9: "The Government declares West Punjab dangerous" . . . "Over a million people on the move" . . . "A camp of over a thousand tents at W———; 50,000 people will be cared for here." "Since August 17 2,200,000 non-Muslims have moved into India."

Sardar Shauka Hayat Khan, Revenue Member announced three important measures:

"I. Expropriation of holdings; 1/2 holdings over 1,000 acres; 1/3 holdings of all land between 50 acres and 1,000 acres.

This means that the land will

be put at the disposal of the government for distribution to refugees.

II. Reduction by half of domestic animals.

III. Abolition of the *Jagir* system (Gifts of large tracts of land to soldiers and government employees.) "

"Indo-Pakistan conflict is suicidal for both dominions," says Liaquat Ali Khan. We have a great deal to do that is important. We in the government are firmly resolved to put down all disorder with a firm hand. Please help us in this, the greatest of all national duties today.

"Can we say that in these dark days none of us in Pakistan raised his hand in revenge and retaliation? We cannot, Alas, say this truthfully. My countrymen we neither desired nor expected, these bloody events to follow the attainment of Pakistan... In order to build we must have peace. Therefore those who talk to you of war and conflict are not your friends. Beware of them. . . Those who whisper revenge and retaliation to you seek to lead your energies to waste and to ruin. . . We need men and women, who respect the law, keep the peace themselves and lead others in the path of peace."

Padri Khurshid Alim, our pastor and his family, are living on the compound now. The church and parsonage were in what used to be the Sikh section of the city. When the disturbances began they were led away from home to the Christian section at the far edge of the town. Padri Sahib went back at times. The church was broken into by Sikhs and Hindus. No damage was caused to either the church or parsonage and comparatively little was lost by looting.

Church services have been resumed and they have been well attended in the short time we have been back.

(Editor's Note: Some of the gruesome facts in this letter have been omitted. Yet we wonder if those of us who are so comfortable here should not know more of the horrors of this bloody conflict, even though cold print cannot tell all the story. Our misionaries have had to face very difficult things. Now the time of many will have to be given to taking care of the wrecks of Pakistan. Dr. Vroon has left his wife and children here in the U. S. and has gone to help bind up the wounds. Others are going, the churches all over the U.S. are sending medicines to heal the sick, food to feed the hungry, in the name of Him who said "Inasmuch. . ."

COMMITTED UNTO US—THE GIRLS OF EGYPT

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from complete. Though the Missions have done much and the Government has made great advance in the education of girls as well as boys, yet *there are only* 20 *out of every* 100 *literate in this land.* The task is still stupendous. We have begun well but it isn't the initiating of an undertaking which counts but the faithful, persistent and patient carrying of it on till it is finished. Our Mission together with others has had the unique opportunity of providing Christian leadership, in the past. Today others are seeking this privilege and are introducing teachings and practices at variance with Protestant ideals and practices. *Let us not give up our God given opportunity and through indifference or carelessness throw away a priceless privilege. Let us be faithful to the end to the task committed unto us.*

A Radiant Life

By WILLIAM A. MINTEER, D.D., Pittsburgh, Pa.

A few years ago a little book was printed entitled, "The Lost Radiance of the Christian Religion." It is a startling title. Has the Christian religion lost its radiance? The Psalmist in the thirty-fourth Psalm says, "They looked unto him, and were radiant; and their faces shall never be confounded." That makes it seem as though there ought to be some sort of radiance about every Christian life. But the writer of the little book raises a question about that radiance being lost.

There is no lack of evidence that there was a radiance present in the life of some of God's followers in Bible times. Moses was leading the people of Israel out of Egypt and through the wilderness. He was in direct communication with God. He was called up into the mount to receive further instructions. He was given the law and the orders for the tabernacle and the worship of God. We are told that when he came down from the mount the skin of his face was shining. He did not realize it but the people saw it and knew that it was the result of his visit with God on the mount.

In Isaiah where we have the prophecy regarding the coming of Christ and the wonders of that time for all the people, there is mention made of the fact that when He is come then shall the people see and be radiant, and their hearts shall thrill and be enlarged.

We cannot forget the story of Christ when He was transfigured before three of His disciples. We are told that His face did shine as the sun. It was the glory of God come upon Him in a special way at that moment.

One other hint is given about this radiance and that is in the trial and death of Stephen. At the time of his defense, "All that sat in the council, looking steadfastly on him, saw his face as it had been the face of an angel". At the time of his death we are told that he looked up into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. It does not definitely say that his face was radiant but there is surely the hint that such was the case. It was noticeable to all who saw him at that moment.

If we look into the records of the early Christians we find this same quality. The coming into the world of the Gospel was like the coming of Spring. Its sheer joyousness, its invincible confidence, its contagious charm, swept other religions out of its way. From most obscure and unpromising beginnings it spread like a prairie fire throughout an empire already over-supplied with religions. What was the secret of this victory? It was the result of the radiance of the new faith.

The Source of Radiance

The question asked of us today is whether we have this radiance in our faith or whether it has been lost?

The source of such radiance is Christ. Here and here alone can we get that which will brighten our lives and shine out to others. This is what makes the gospel of Jesus gleam and glow with such attractive light. This is what kindled the faces of men and women, ironed the hard, tired lines from their foreheads, released the tension of their lips, put spring in their steps and a deep happy peace in their hearts. It was not a philosophy, not a theory, not a system nor a program; it was a Person, J[illegible]

Christ. Men and women touched His hand and knew that their lives were not blind alleys leading into the murk, but thoroughfares opening into dazzling sunlight. In this knowledge their whole personalities were transformed: they became buoyant, exuberant, poised, winsome —radiant. The Psalmist put it, "They looked unto Him, and were radiant." There are moments of high experience when our lives are thrilled with some earthly thing and there may come a radiance of face and life that is plainly visible to those who see us. We are not suggesting that this radiance that comes from contact with Christ is the only radiance. We do suggest that the radiance referred to by the Psalmist, the radiance we find in the lives of the early Christians, and the radiance we need today in our Christianity is the radiance that comes not from these outward experiences, but that which comes from our direct contact with Christ.

How greatly such a spirit is needed today in winning others to Christ. How hungry the world is for evidence of this radiance that indicates what Christ does in transforming human lives. As you read the book of The Acts you cannot help but notice that it was this radiant spirit and manner of life that made its impress on the world of that day. The early church was a happy, glorious church in spite of all persecution, suffering and death. Is that radiance gone from our lives today? No, for we can see about us at least some whose lives reflect Christ is this winsome way. We see such persons and even though we may not know their deeds in the service of Christ we are attracted by their radiant spirits. Only such radiance will continue to attract others to Christ.

How To Be Radiant

Radiant lives are not unknown to us, but perhaps we feel the need of rekindling this spirit in our own lives. How can we do it? Sheer force or will power will not do it. Perhaps we have known individuals who have tried hard to be charming. Usually we were conscious of the effort and the charm was on there just because it was so forced. This rekindling process must come from within. There are charm schools today that advertise their power to make people appealing personalities; but the charm they have for sale has no radiance in it. It is mostly put on from the outside. We must turn toward Christ and let Him do the rekindling. Christ is a radiant personality and those who have Christ really, and to any degree within them, are simply mirrors in which people see Him and His winsomeness. As we come into closer relationship with Him the full glory of His radiance falls upon us and is reflected through our lives. It is like the moon and the sun. As long as the sun and the moon endure, the latter will reflect in silvered sheen the glory of the former: The moon needs only turn its face to the sun; and that face is transformed and in turn transfigures the brooding landscape. We need only turn our faces toward the Sun of Righteousness and we shall be radiant with light not our own but His.

Perhaps we are not always conscious of any radiance in our lives, even as Moses was unaware that the skin of his face was shining. But we may be made to see how vital such radiance is to our Christian lives, how necessary it is for the advancement of the work of Christ, and as a result seek to capture more of the radiance that is possible for every Christian. We will look unto Him seeking for a closer relationship between us and Him that our lives might be the mirror of His radiant life. So may our prayer be that of the poet:

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President's Page

GOD'S GIFTS

Again we have come to the season of the year when we remember the giving of God's greatest and best gift to the world—

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

Our thoughts are rightly centered on gifts and gift giving, for it is a time to express our love and gratitude to those near and dear to us by the gifts we offer. It is a time to bring cheer and comfort to the underprivileged, the destitute, the lonely. It is also a time to recall the spiritual gifts that God offers to you and to me. Many of the most cherished gifts are the ones that money cannot buy. From our Bibles we read of the gifts that God offers us not only at Christmas time but throughout the days and years of our lives and all eternity, if we but seek Him and ask for His blessing, care and direction. We read:

In Matthew—

"If ye then, being evil, know how to give gifts unto your children, how much more shall your father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him."

In Ezekiel—

"I will give a new heart and I will put a new spirit within you."

In James—

"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God—and it shall be given him."

In Matthew—

"Come unto me all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

In John—

"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you. . . . Let not your heart be troubled neither let it be afraid."

In Revelation—

"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life."

In Ephesians—

"By grace are ye saved through faith and that not of yourselves: It is the gift of God."

In Isaiah—

"I will give them an everlasting name that shall "not be cut off."

In James—

"That every good and perfect gift is from above and cometh down from the father of lights."

In Romans—

"The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

"What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?"

"I will take the cup of salvation and call upon the name of the Lord."

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OUR RESPONSIBILITY AS LIGHT BEARERS

There is a very ancient story or legend, as told by G. B. Hallock, about the first darkness and the dawn. It is from the very old book—the Jewish Talmud. "It tells that when Adam and Eve were driven out from the Garden of Eden they wandered over the face of the earth. The sun began to set. (They had known nothing but light before). They looked with fear at the gradually lessening of the light and felt a horror like death steal over their hearts. The light of heaven grew paler and paler and the wretched ones clasped each other in an agony of despair. Then all grew dark. The unhappy man and woman fell on the earth and thought God had withdrawn from them His light forever; and they spent the night in tears. But by and by, after hours of darkness, a beam of light began to rise over the eastern horizon and the golden sun came back and dried the tears of Adam and Eve and they cried with joy and said, 'Heaviness may endure for a night but joy cometh in the morning: this is the law that God hath laid upon Nature'."

Of course we say that is not true to the Bible, it is not true to any scientific attempt to explain the darkness and the dawn. But in a spiritual way it is true. When Adam and Eve sinned *"The whole world was lost in the darkness of sin."*

Were we skeptics, reading the 4th chapter of Genesis we would have a sense of futility. The righteous Abel was slain; the wicked Cain was a wanderer on the earth and it would seem that the light had gone out.

But No! God had a plan for passing the light from generation to generation. Adam and Eve had another son and called his name Seth, and Seth had a Son, Enos— "and then men began to call upon the name of the Lord." The Light was still shining.

On down the generations Jared begat Enoch and "Enoch the great light bearer" walked with God. His son Methusaleh, who had the greatest number of years vouchsafed to any man had a son by the name of Lamech who begat Noah and Noah "was a just man and perfect in his generation and Noah walked with God."

Coming down the direct line of light bearers that stand out are Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Judah and farther on David and Solomon.

There were the prophets Elijah, Elisha, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, who carried the light on when the light of the leaders was dimmed. The succeeding men in the direct line are almost unknown to us, except as we read the genealogies in Matthew and Luke.

Centuries passed. "The generations from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; the generations from David until the carrying away into Babylon are fourteen generations; and from the carrying away into

SOCIETY TREASURERS

Just a reminder that you should have your Thank Offering money in the hands of your Presbyterial Treasurer by December 15, if possible, so that she can remit to this office before the dead line, January 1, 1948. Co-operation in this respect will place your Presbyterial, also your Society, on the Honor Roll. Please do not send any money to anyone except your Presbyterial Treasurer. The name and address of all Life Memberships and Life Directorships should be sent only to the Presbyterial Treasurer. Do not send money to your Presbyterial Treasurer for objects for which The Women's General Missionary Society is not responsible. Thank you.

Mrs. Samuel E. Baird,
Treasurer

Babylon until Christ are fourteen generations," God's plans seemed so long developing. I recall hearing Bishop Quayle, a very distinguished man of the M. E. Church, best know in the middle west, speaking about these slowly moving plans. In a very dramatic way, he would pace back and forth, shake his long locks and say, "Hurry God! Hurry God"! Sometimes we feel that spirit but He must be saying to us today, "Hurry Church! Hurry, Church!"

Then in the fulness of time there came the Star in the East, there came a Light on the hills of Bethlehem, as the glory of the Lord shown round about them. At last here was the True Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

When our Lord began His ministry he declared, "I am the Light of the world." To His disciples he said, "Ye are the Light of the world." Did they really believe it? Did the neighbors think they were the light of the world?

Those disciples who, at the end of Christ's ministry met Him on a hill in Galilee and heard his Marching orders believed it. That larger group, who wound their way with Him up the slopes of Olivet and heard Him say just before the cloud Chariot took Him out of their sight, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me—Light bearers—unto the ends of the earth," believed it.

We who are here tonight believe it. We believe that we are the spiritual successors of those first disciples who believed it.

There are three classes of people in the Christian Church—Those who sit in the pews occasionally, who have never known that Christ said those words. How ignorant many Christians are of the word of God! Let us tell them.

There are those who assent to the belief but plead inability or inefficiency to do anything for the service of Christ. They can shine.

The property of light is to be utterly distinct from darkness. Of all created things light is the most useful. It guides, it illumines, it cheers. In India a little wick in a tiny mud oil lamp gives a very dim light but 100 of them along a narrow street make a beautiful illumination.

Perhaps you have heard of Russell Price and his flash light. Five Canadian Royal Air Planes bound for Florida, encountered a terrific snowstorm in N.Y. State. They were flying low. Russell Price sensed the sound and knew that the probable place of landing would be a large field near his house. There was a huge tree in the field which he knew spelled peril for those men. Grabbing his flashlight he ran out and kept throwing the light on the tree and every plane came down safely.

Is there some young person in your neighborhood or in your church who is flying low? Your little flashlight may save a perilous landing for him.

Paul said, "We are debtors." To be sure we are. The early disciples and Paul gave themselves wholly to the carrying of the Light. Every generation has passed the torch—the martyrs of the early church, the missionaries of the 19th century among whom we count the pioneers—the Gordons, the McCagues, the Lansings, the Giffens. We of this generation are debtors to all who counted not their lives dear that Christ might be proclaimed.

Responsibility rests upon us. We believe that Jesus meant what He said when He told us to go into all the world, we believe that He meant what He said when He told us—yes He told us that *We* are the Light of the world. How it humbles us; how it thrills us! To really believe that we represent Christ here in the world is one of the most awe-inspiring thoughts that can enter the brain of man.

Whatever we may think or say about this terrible world in which we are living we must be convinced that the world needs Christ.

Now our responsibility is greater even than that of our forefathers. Doors are still open all over the world. Languages have been reduced to writing; missionaries have worked out a simplified method of teaching; the Bible is being translated almost monthly into new tongues.

Men and women are ready and willing to go. Among the soldier boys, who saw what Christ can do among primitive people there are many who are saying with Standfast of old— "Wherever I have seen the Print of His shoe in the earth, there I covet to set my foot also." And money is more plentiful in the hands of the many than ever before.

What wait we for but a dedicated church?

By what means can a church become consecrated, wholly set apart to this the greatest work in all the world. It seems to me that a revival can come only as one by one we turn our eyes to the Cross and sense what happened there. How the God of love gave His Son and how His Son gave His life that through Him we might be saved eternally.

We need to sense anew the reality of the redemptive work of Christ, and that there is salvation in no other way.

The cry of the dark world does not seem to move the church—half the world has never heard the message of salvation. Even the command of Christ does not stir men's hearts. But surely looking at the cross and realizing that it was for me—for you, that He poured out His life, should move every one who calls himself a Christian.

As we sing this familiar hymn let us change the word in the last line "Demands" to "Shall have.".

Were the whole realm of nature mine
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine
SHALL HAVE MY SOUL MY LIFE MY ALL.

A devotional service at the Tarkio Convention. Printed by request.

MAGAZINE QUIZ

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10. Will you plan to work harder than ever to bring the Magazine circulation back to 16,000—and then upward to include all the women of our Missionary Societies?

We thank you.

Mrs. Ralph H. Arnold,
Treasurer

A NEW BOARD MEMBER

The Board of Directors of the Women's General Missionary Society announces the election to its membership of Mrs. Russell K. Montgomery of the Wallace Memorial church, Greentree, Pa. A graduate of Muskingum College and the University of Pittsburgh, Mrs. Montgomery at the present time is serving as president of Monongahela presbyterial. She also is president of the women's missionary society in her own church. Until recently she belonged to the Auxiliary of the Home for the Aged in Wilkinsburg, Pa.

On the Board, Mrs. Montgomery has been chosen Secretary of Indian Missions, a position left vacant when Mrs. T. C. Strangeway moved to California last August. Mrs. Strangeway had given devoted service in this capacity for over a year but resigned when her husband accepted a call to the pastorate of the First Church, Los Angeles. Mrs. John C. Spielman, Secretary of Prayer Groups, has been handling correspondence of the Indian department during the interim.

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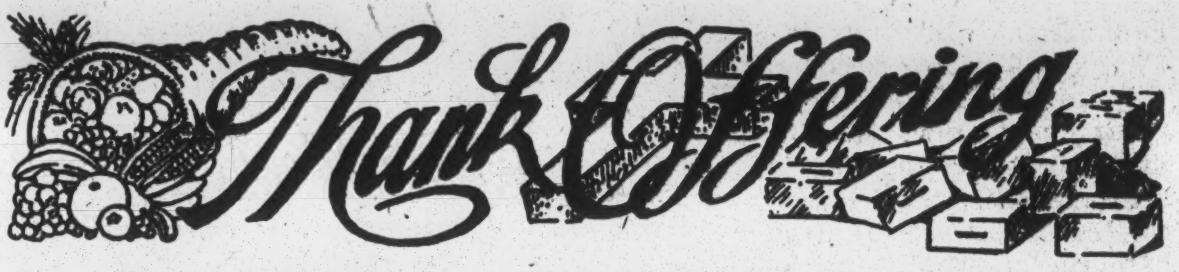
2—That more than half of our financial year is past. Have you paid your W.G.M.S. Expense Fund of ten cents per member?

3—The Isaiah Fund money should be in the General Treasurer's office by December 31, 1947, if possible.

AN EXPLANATION AND AN APOLOGY

We are sorry that our Magazine, which is supposed to reach every reader in the United States by the first day of the month is always more or less belated. But it was a real tragedy that befell the October issue. The whole Magazine had been printed, but some part of the machinery broke, which necessitated sending out the pages and cover to be stitched by another firm, which delayed the mailing, the last copies going out November 4.

We are sorry we could not answer all the letters of inquiry that poured into the mail boxes of the Editor and the Treasurer. We hope the November Magazine was in your hands in the first week of the month. And we hope that the December issue will bear to each reader our deep regrets because of the unavoidable accident and our wishes for a blessed Christmas season.



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A GIFT FOR JESUS

One Christmas a few years ago, a little girl wished to give the Lord Jesus a gift and asked her mother how it should be done. Her mother said, "choose a gift, and then come with me." The little girl chose her very best doll and went with her mother through the crowded street. At last they entered a miserable alley, where a poor child lay ill. The doll was left for the little girl and as they came away the child said, "But, mother, I wanted to give it to Jesus." The mother then explained the Bible verse from Matthew 25:40, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

As we approach this Christmas season do we have a gift for Jesus? The wise men brought unto Him gifts, gold, frankincense and myrrh. What will our gift be? May we suggest first of all that the finest gift we would make would be that of a surrendered life to Him and to His service. Just recently in talking with a young woman who with her husband belongs to a young adult group in a large city Church, the question was asked, "how do you account for the success of this group?" The answer was, "while the number meeting in this group regularly runs into the hundreds and are of varying degrees of faith and many of no faith at all, the power in their midst comes from a smaller group of twenty couples who meet every two weeks in prayer and the study of God's Word, taking a portion of scripture each time and promising with God's help to live in every avenue of life according to His Word and Will for them." This truly is the leaven which will leaven the whole lump. Is it any wonder that from this larger group there are continually those who are making profession of faith in Christ and stepping forth on His promises. Take God at His word and He will richly repay. Possibly the Prayer Circle in our missionary societies should be the channel through which His power may flow into the socicty and the Church leavening the whole lump. May such a surrender be ours this Christmas time. May we be able to truly say:—

"All to Jesus I surrender, all to Him I freely give;
I will ever love and trust Him, in His presence daily live.

"All to Jesus I surrender, make me Saviour wholly Thine;
Let me feel the Holy Spirit, truly know that Thou are mine.

"All to Jesus I surrender, Lord, I give myself to Thee
Fill me with Thy love and power, let Thy blessing fall on me.

"All to Jesus I surrender, now I feel the sacred flame;
Oh, the joy of full salvation! Glory, glory to His name!"

If we can make such a surrender to Christ, then there will be no question about our giving to His Kingdom work. There will be such thankfulness well up in our hearts that we will be anxious to give abun-

dant Thank Offerings to Him. Our Thank Offerings become the practical gift of a surrendered life, the "Inasmuch" gift for Jesus. They make possible the carrying of the message to others, the giving of a cup of cold water in His name, the bringing of healing to broken bodies, and light and truth to closed minds.

Certainly as we come to the Christmas season with its rich meaning of the advent of Christ in human flesh, to reveal God's love to us and to give His life as a sacrifice for us we will want to offer first of all our lives, completely surrendered, and then our material gifts of love, thus making possible for others the "good news" of salvation. Let us place a Christmas gift of love for Jesus in our Thank Offering boxes as we start a new Thank Offering year

"Jesus calls us, by thy mercies,
Saviour, may we hear Thy call,
Give our hearts to thine obedience,
Serve and love Thee best of all."

Note:—As soon as your Thank Offering service is over do not delay sending in your report. Your delay may keep your Presbyterial from the Honor Roll. Send your money through your society treasurer to your Presbyterial Treasurer, and she in turn to the General Treasurer.

MEMORIAL THANK OFFERING FUND

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3. In Memory of Belle Snyder, by her twin sister Mrs. J. A. Burns of Youngstown, O.

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$25.00 Each

From October 1, 1947 to November 1, 1947.

44. Mrs. A. L. Davies, Oakland, California.
45. Mrs. Joseph W. Gray, Washtucna, Wash. By her husband and family.
46. Mrs. George E. Sullivan, Sr., Washtucna, Wash. By her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Blankenship, and her sons, George, Daniel, Bernard, Sydney and Clark Sullivan.
47. Mazel Taylor, Quincy, Mass. By the Quincy Golden Circle, from a Special Fund.
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49. Elizabeth A. Butler, East Liverpool, Ohio. By her Mother.
50. Mrs. Matthew Curry, East Liverpool, Ohio. By a friend.
51. Irene Wilson, Youngstown, Ohio. By a friend.
52. Mrs. Guy Wetherall, oYungstown, Ohio. By Mrs. Everett Morgan.
53. Mrs. Wilbur Johnson, Youngstown, Ohio. By Anna Ria Fulton.
54. Mrs. William T. Mitchell, Youngstown, Ohio. By a friend.
55. Mrs. J. W. Gress, Youngstown, Ohio. By two friends.
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57. Wilma Quinzer, Lyndhurst, N.J. By Mrs. Alice Aldridge.
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60. Mrs. H. F. Bachman, Washtucna, Wash. By friends of the Women's Missionary Society.
61. Mrs. Zion Robbins, Kansas City, Kansas. By her husband.
62. Jean Bartlett, Akron, Ohio. By Augusta McKelvey.
63. Mrs. Harry Schavey, Sharon, Pa. By special offerings from the W.M.S.
64. Adda McLane East Liverpool, Ohio. By members of the Young Women's Missionary Society.
65. Mrs. Fred Percival, Kansas City, Kansas. By the Friendship Sabbath School Class.
66. Mrs. William Rohrbach, Kansas City, Kansas. By members of the W.M.S.
67. Mrs. Robert W. Balfour, Kansas City, Kansas. By her husband and son Bobby.
68. Mrs. Hannah McCoy, Slippery Rock, Pa. By members of the Enterprise Missionary Society.
69. Mrs. Delbert Dixson, Stronghurst, Ill. By her grandchildren: Barbara, Susan and Michael Dixson.

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B—Societies to support the WGMS materially and spiritually.
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One dollar per member for those 20 years and over.
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Special Objects—(Amount Asked, $8,000)
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Miss Ruth Findley, Special Worker in California Synod.
Miss Mary E. Cole, Bible Women's Worker, Khartoum, North, The Sudan.
Mrs. Anna Howard, Matron Frenchburg Dormitory.

STUMBLING-BLOCKS or STEPPING-STONES?

There are many so-called obstacles in life,—anything that seems to block one's easy progress. These are called stumbling-blocks. Again, stepping-stones are emphasized. The interesting fact is that the first may become the second, depending on its use. Place the former in a shallow stream to form a path and one may walk to the opposite bank dry shod. Place the second on a well known smooth path. If the way be traversed in the dark, the useful stones may damage seriously one's footgear or even cause a full length tumble and a broken bone!

It seems to be clear that it is the *use* or *misuse* of the obstacle that determines which the object is.

A great many words pro and con have been expended on the Standard of Efficiency,—its value or lack of same. Those who have the conquering spirit accept it as a challenge and seek to meet the several points. Others who prefer to go along in unrestricted fashion, consider it quite a useless appendage and impossible of attainment. Only when the year's work is recorded do they have some qualms as to whether it might not have been wise to have endeavored to qualify. To the former the Standard proved to be a stepping-stone; to the latter, it was a stumbling-block. The use or misuse was the deciding factor.

There is such a thing as failing to qualify because, although there were uncertainties in mind as to the exact meaning of some points, no letter of inquiry was sent to learn the absolute meaning. If this attitude prevailed in the business world, more failure in business would be reported. The business thing is,—if in doubt, drop a line to some one who knows the answer.

Is it true that you never knew that the Y.W. Special dollars is intended to be an *extra* dollar? Did you not take credit for the fact that your congregation has a Junior and a Teen Age society? You do not have to be the organizer of the society, just lend your encouragement.

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"The Personal Invitation."

The question is often asked—"How get new members?" One society, according to the story, had every reason to be discouraged enough to

give up the society. At one meeting, only two members came. Did these two give up? No, indeed! they neither postponed the meeting nor adjourned. When the meeting was concluded, they went away to tell about the good meeting that had been held! They invited more to join them at the next meeting. Before many months, those meetings had a large number of women attending regularly. The *personal invitation* seems to have a really appealing influence. *Omitting discouraging* remarks and *emphazizing any good* points is *salutary*.

"A STORY FROM HAWAII"

Point X. (b) in the Teen Age Standard asks some one or ones shall report items from the Missionary Magazine at each meeting. The story referred to here is of interest even though not culled from our own fields. The mission field is not devoid of interest and amusement! The story is entitled: "A Tardy Bride." There was a wedding in the church at Kohala one afternoon. It might better be said—there were weddings! Half a dozen couples were to take the vows at the time. The couples were lined up and the ceremony was about to begin when the missionary noticed that they were short a bride! "Where is she?" asked the missionary. The bridegroom answered very nonchalantly, "At the door, putting on her dress!" He was not in the least embarrassed.

It seems that the bride may have had a walk of several miles to reach the church, so she carried her dress and kept it fresh for the ceremony! She was soon in place and the wedding proceeded.

Look through the pages and you should come upon many references that any reporter should find most interesting to relate. Be sure to report what you think society members should hear about.

If you have *wonders* in your mind about this or any other *unclear* point, don't let this trip you—just write and get the answer. Do not put off this procedure until next March! Study the Standard *now*, then find out definitely so there will be no guess work when the blue blanks reach you late in February or early in March.

Accept the Standard cheerfully and there will be real surprise how easy it is to attain. We are told that "Cheerfulness is a habit of mind which more than anything else will help us realize our hopes because it makes hard work easy!" Convert stumbling - blocks into stepping-stones! Why fail?

The "UP-TEENS,"

——the Girls' Circle of our Topeka, Kansas, church sent in its new program for review. You see this is a society that is "trying its wings," so is leaving no stone unturned to let the world know that it exists. Incidentally, the rest of you "teen-agers" might become vocal and let everybody know that you are wide awake and learning to step out for yourselves. There may be older people who think that you do no know why you are organized as a Circle. This is one place can show all that you are deeply in earnest in your early venture into the field of missions.

To return to the program in question, the study is mainly on Ethiopia, —its geography, its people, its religions and its needs as a country. There is a month devoted to the history of the work in the mountains, —we persume it may refer to our Kentucky stations. At the close of the program there seems to be a period for discussion. It may include questions on the subject presented, but it is stated specifically that some very important personal behaviour discussions are held. Since the *member* is an essential part of the society, what she does in meeting and on the street is vital. Here are some of the discussion topics used:—Necking, smoking, drinking, etiquette, the

recreational facilities of the city. Surely a member of the missionary society, regardless of the age, should be a good example to walk before the world. The girls have *observed* careless living. They want to do something about it. Success to them! Mrs. Heslip, the wife of the pastor, is the sponsor.

BUTLER PRESBYTERIAL Y. W. RALLY

Some of the nearby societies to Butler, Pa., met on the evening of October 24 to refresh themselves. It was unfortunate that those several miles away felt unable to have representation. There is an upsurge in activity if people get together in crowds with the desire to forward one main cause. Surely the work of missions carries enough challenge these days to arouse every one to activity. It was a good meeting, fine fellowship in the program and in the social hour following, Hallowe'en refreshments being the feature.

There was a talk emphasizing the purpose of a rally. There was a call to learn from whence we came, our religious heritage which is our foundation on which to build. Then there was a challenge that we use our ability to carry on successfully what has ben committed unto us. Every member has some ability. The question is,—what is she doing about it? Is the church profited by her? How about the missionary society and the field of missionary society and the field of missions?

Second Church was hostess to the group. Mrs. Calvin Hogg is the secretary of the department and is deeply interested in the success of her work.

A RADIANT LIFE

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Eternal Light, throughout all ages shining,
Shine once again upon this heart of mine;
Thy flaming glory knoweth no declining—
Rekindle now my waning light by thine.

"Let me draw near, that thy so fervent passion
May stir my soul to ardor like thine own;
Let me behold thee, till the very fashion
Of thy appearance shall in me be grown.

"Haply, at length, in some high lift of rapture—
(Shall not my spirit claim its Pentecost?)
Engirt by tongues of flame, may I recapture
The radiance I thought forever lost.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Thy sight, O Lord my strength and my redeemer. *Psalm* 19:14

Girls' Circle Program

For Program Study on Evangelism

By KATHERINE BOOBYER KING, Buffalo, N.Y.

PROGRAM FOR JANUARY·
EGYPT

CALL TO WORSHIP: "The Lord is nigh unto all that call upon him, to all that call upon him in truth." "Draw nigh to God and he will draw nigh to you."

Prayer for God's presence.

LEADER: When we think of the fascinating land of Egypt, many pictures come to mind. First, perhaps, the Nile—the life-giving river in whose fertile valley almost all Egyptians live; then the Pyramids, tombs of the kings. We think of the busy streets with their open shops; and of the stone houses of the wealth with their beautiful balconies. But dominating the Egyptian scene are the glittering white domes of the mosques and the towers of the minarets, for more than 90% of the people of this land are Mohammedans.

What do they believe, and what message do we haye for them?

To become a Mohammedan, one has only to repeat the creed, which is the shortest creed of any faith: "There is no God but Allah, and Mohammed is his prophet." They believe that Jesus, too, was a prophet, but a lesser one. What shall we tell them about him?

READER: Mat. 16.13-16.

LEADER: The Mohammedan believes in one God rather than in many, but he says we can know little about God, because he is so far removed and is so great he is not concerned with the affairs of men. God is an object of terror, not of love and devotion. What can we say about our God?

READER: Rom. 5.8, Ps. 34.8.

LEADER: The most conspicuous religious duties of the Muhammedan are to say his prayers five times a day when the call sounds from the minaret, and to observe the annual fast which lasts for a month, no food being taken during the day. The man who does these things is counted faithful no matter what his life may be. This is the teaching of the holy book, the Koran. What does the Bible say?

READER: Tit. 2:11, 12.

LEADER: Womanhood is debased by Mohammedanism perhaps more than by any other religion. The marriage vow means almost nothing to the husband, and he may dissolve the marriage at his will. How different the teaching of Jesus!

READER: Mark 10.9, Eph. 5.25.

LEADER: The Mohammedan believes that salvation depends upon adherence to the laws of Muhammed and faith in him. We offer a Savior, Jesus Christ.

READER: Acts 4.12.

Prayer for the unsaved in all lands, that they may know the true God and accept his Son as their Savior.

SUGGESTIONS

Use the pages on Egypt. As Egypt becomes increasingly strong as a nation, because of the strength of Mohammedanism there we may expect Christian work to become increasingly difficult. Pray that our missionaries may be given wisdom from abve in the decisins they must make. Pray also for another doctor for Assiut hospital.

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Remember India, which some one recently called "the sickest nation in the world." Our missionaries, except those in medical work, instead of their usual activities will be engaged in helping nurses, doctors, and others who are working among the crowds of refugees in the strife-torn Punjab. Pray that they may

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MRS. EDGAR B. MURDOCH, Secretary, 4 Wilmont Ave., Washington, Pa.

A NEWCOMER'S IMPRESSION OF EZEL

With the Psalmist I can say, "Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised, and his greatness is unsearchable." If I had had any doubt in my mind concerning the Lord's guidance in sending me to Ezel that doubt vanished soon after my arrival. Truly I praise Him for leading me here.

Perhaps many of the readers of *The Women's Missionary Magazine* are well informed concerning the school at Ezel, but if you are like I was two months ago you either have heard many misleading statements or know little about the work.

Ezel, with a population of 125, is located in the Knob region of eastern Kentucky along national highway 460. The panoramic view from Ezel of God's handiwork in nature is a sight one can never forget. At this time of year the landscape is especially beautiful. Any direction we look we see rolling hills dotted with trees in brilliant foliage.

The school, consisting of the gymnasium, high school, and grade school buildings, is now in full swing of the year's activities. Eight of us are new on the staff: Miss Lou Fraser, clothing room attendant; Mrs. Rebecca Rodkey, opportunity room teacher; Miss Zillah Hawthorne, Latin teacher and school secretary; Mrs. Harriet Emery, third grade teacher; Miss Ruth Streblow, Bible and English teacher and director of girls' athletics; Miss Eileen Tuttle, music supervisor and science teacher; Mr. Thomas Moore, teacher in mathematics; and I, Bible, History, and English teacher.

Recently, a group of Christian students started a noon prayer meeting. Special requests for prayer are made and emphasis laid on praying for those of their friends who do not know Jesus Christ as their Saviour. Will you join with this prayer band each day between 12:30 and 12:45 in intercession for them? The verse, "and he saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no intercessor" (Isa. 59:16) shows our tremendous responsibility in our prayers for others.

Another side of our school life is the social angle. Broke Leg Falls has been the scene of several youth outings this fall. The falls itself, the tall cliffs, and the winding trails make it an ideal hiking spot.

One of the most impressive sights in Ezel is the white frame pillared church situated on a hill overlooking the rest of the town. The newly decorated interior reminds me of David's admonition, "Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness."

Miss Streblow is the church pianist and Miss Tuttle the director of music. The three of us sponsor the Young People's Christian Union. Since Rev. Ralph Ayers alternates Sabbath evening services with Frenchburg we have organized the society into a youth evangelism team, and go to the small churches or school houses in the surrounding community to give the gospel message. The Lord blessed the first meeting in a real way and the young people were strenghtened in testifying for Him.

At present we are looking forward

to our evangelistic meetings to be held in November. Your prayers are requested for these meetings as well as for the visitation evangelism program which will follow.

Truly it is "good for us to be here."

Lois R. Anderson.

WESTLAND PENNSYLVANIA

Some word pictures of our Mission taken in October:

This first picture was taken in a class room in our Church basement. The women you see sewing are members of our Women's Missionary Society, and they are making some small baby garments for Mrs. Clements to take back to India, and some Bible bags. At noon time we had a covered dish luncheon.

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This second picture is a group of twelve boys sitting at the front of the church listening to a flannelgraph story. When the lesson is finished they go downstairs, and this next picture shows them playing games. Four of them are playing pingpong, two are bowling, four more are at the carrom board, and one is trying to beat the missionary at checkers.

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This next picture was taken on a Sabbath evening in my home. We have come back from our Junior meeting at the Church, and a group of assorted ages, including two adults, are listening to a service over the radio. A group of girls are playing a Bible game; three little boys are building blocks on the floor; others are coloring books. When they know one of the songs in the service, they sing, too, and at prayer time we are very quiet and bow our heads, then the activities go on quietly.

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Won't you stop in some time and see the originals of these pictures? We would be glad to have you.

Dorothy E. Partington.

NORTH BURBANK, CALIFORNIA

Los Angeles recently observed its 166th birthday and the old girl neither looks or feels it. She is still sweeter, sunnier, bigger, faster, longer, and taller than most of her sisters in the union. She is predicted to rank the fourth major industrial city in the nation in 1952.

Unlike a human adult, she is still growing at all ends as well as in the middle. I was requested to survey another of these ends which is South East Alhambra. This was until recently a large airport. The large landing field has been converted to a residental community of 900 modern homes, attractively landscaped. A church and Bible School, of another denomination, is already in progress in what was once the airport building. The three days survey revealed some very enthusiastic residents over the suggestion of a church in their midst and the assurance of their hearty support.

The North Burbank field eagerly awaits the arrival of the Reverend J. M. Campbell, the appointed pastor for the coming church. Four of the women of the adult Bible class and myself have put the parsonage in immaculate condition for Rev. and Mrs. Campbell and their new little baby's occupation.

The Adult Bible class has witnessed many visitors in the last month in response to the faithful follow-up work done by the visitor's committee.

The five children's clubs are also recruiting new members from the new additions recently surveyed, and the turn-overs constantly taking place. The word of encouragement came from a mother who was interviewed on one of the warmest days of September. Bringing her little girl to the class, she greeted the hostess with these words, "Anybody who walks the streets on a hot day like this, gathering up the children to teach, has surely an interest in

The Parsonage, which has been used for the services in the North Burbank Mission. The "Girls" have made it fresh and clean for the new pastor and wife who will now occupy it as their home, using it also as a center for the new church to be organized

them and is worthy of the cooperation of us parents." The love of Christ constrains us when we witness children four and five years of age drinking from bottles of beer as casually as though it were lemonade, and mother looking on. I viewed a mother feeding it to her baby boy in her arms the other day. When the subject is discussed in our club, I am shocked to learn that some of my finest children are exposed to it in their homes.

We have to learn to teach with such power and conviction that our children will be able to rise above the un-Christian conditions about them, and really to be "children of God in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation."

Ruth E. Findley.

HOME LIGHTS

The sympathy of both home and foreign missionaries goes out to Mrs. Olive Laing Crawford in the sudden death of her husband the Rev. Frank N. Crawford at their home in Piqua, Ohio, where he recently became pastor. Mrs. Crawford, before her marriage, served for a number of years in our India mission and for three years immediately preceding her marriage she was secretary in our Ezel, Kentucky, school.

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Mrs. Mary Ciancio, missionary in the Pittsburgh Hamilton Avenue Church, reports that the Aid Society is busy sewing for the annual December bazaar through which they hope to add to their fund for painting the church.

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During a recent hurried trip to Kentucky the Home Secretary and Mrs. Baird, the Board Treasurer, not only transacted business but had the privilege of becoming acquainted with the fourteen new members of the staffs of Frenchburg and Ezel. Each school has a fine faculty with all positions fiilled and, with larger enrollments than we have ever had it is felt that an unusually good year is in prospect.

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Mrs. Alice Girvin Hughes, teacher of one of the two eight grades in the Frenchburg school, has been given leave of absence to be with her husband, Mr. Raymond Hughes, who is receiving treatment in a Veterans' Hospital in Chicago. Mrs. Hughes taught in our school for some years before her marriage and returned only this fall to resume her work.

Negro Missions

And He made of one every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth

MRS. H. RAY SHEAR, Secretary, 206 Inglewood Drive, Pittsburgh 16, Pa.

BOXES TO ALABAMA

No letters, requesting clothing for the Negro stations, are sent to individual missionary societies. Yet the need is very great. Very few boxes find their way to the Negro fields in the course of a year. From time to time an attempt has been made to stress this point in the pages of the Magazine; and directions for shipping have been given. Perhaps the distance to Alabama, and the consequent high cost of shipping, have been the chief reasons for the small donations to these stations.

There is a way of shipping which will keep the cost down. If a society decides to help an Alabama station, it should collect the clothing and pack in cartons until the weight is at least 100 pounds, then call the freight agent. When the truck is sent give the driver complete instructions for freight shipment. The boxes should be addressed both with labels and with heavy crayon. The approximate freight rate from Pittsburgh is $2.00 per hundred. Inside each box there should be placed a large sheet of paper containing the following information: name of the missionary society and name of the church, name and address of the person making the shipment, so that it can be properly acknowledged.

These instructions apply also to boxes of toys and books for Christmas. All boxes can go in one shipment. That will help to build up the weight to 100 pounds, or more. A few societies have done this and found that it solved the problem. Why not send to one station one year and another the next, and so on?

THE ADDRESSES

Prin. A. C. Peoples
Camden Academy
Camden, Alabama

(This address is good for freight, express or parcel post.)

Prin. N. D. Williams
Millers Ferry Mission
If by parcel post, address, Miller's Ferry, Alabama.
If by freight or express, address, Camden, Alabama, with the additional information *"For Miller's Ferry."*

Prin. Wm. T. Peters
Prairie Mission
If by parcel post, address, Prairie, Alabama.
If by freight or express, address, Catherine, Alabama, with the additional information, "For Prairie."

Prin. Walter R. Sutton
Arlington Institute
If by parcel post, address, Annemanie, Alabama.
If by freight or express, address, Kimbrough, Alabama.

(Please save the above for future use)

APPRECIATION

We want to express appreciation and thanks for the things that have been received in the past. The things sent for use at Christmas time are a wonderful blessing in the whole work. Eager children look forward to this time. They go away from the Christmas program with light hearts and happy voices, because some one has cared.

If readers of this article have good fiction, classics suitable for high

school English classes, or any books your own young people have used and enjoyed, you can extend their usefulness by sending them to Camden Academy.

Four scholarship gifts have been received this fall from people who have given them previously. We are thankful for the continued interest. The school books given by Mt. Lebanon Schools were sent in August (47 large cartons). They were greatly appreciated and filled a definite need as supplementary texts.

FROM HENDERSON INSTITUTE

(Note:—Miss Conley was sent to Henderson Institute this fall as Bible Teacher and Church Worker. She is a graduate of Houghton College, Houghton, N.Y. We are glad to add her name to our list of workers.)

Henderson, N.C.
Sept. 10, 1947.

Dear Mrs. Shear:—

I arrived August 29th, and was graciously met by Mrs. Adams. Mr. Dungee, the pastor, already had me scheduled as the Women's Day Speaker for the following Sabbath; so that initiated me into the work quite rapidly. The first days were spent in adjusting my living quarters and getting acquainted. I have a room on the first floor of the Nurse's Home, and am boarding at the home of a church family near this building. There was a vacant room and Mrs. Adams seemed glad that I could use it.

The Bible Classes have been organized. I have three classes Monday, Wednesday and Friday, consisting of 11, 66 and 13 pupils respectively. Then, for Thursday and Friday I have two afternoon classes consisting of 19 and 14 students. There are more registering for the classes, so I expect the enrollment to increase. One half unit of credit is given for five semester hours. Next semester the three hour per week classes will reverse with the two hour per week ones. Mr. Spencer, the new principal has been most co-operative, as well as Mr. Dungee. I have other regular teacher duties at the school also, such as home room and bus duty. I expect to work with the Athletic and School Paper Committees also. I have felt that the Bible Classes have taken a good beginning at least. I hadn't expected them to evolve so soon.

My duties at the church have not yet been organized, since I am getting the Bible Classes at school started. I spoke for five minutes again on Sabbath on "Student Recognition Day"; and have been to the various meetings, so I am becoming acquainted with the church body. I have received a very warm welcome from everyone.

I am very glad I came to Henderson this year. I believe it is the Lord's will for me, and I am anticipating a wide field of service. Mrs. Adams says that she expects you here this month. I shall be glad to discuss these things with you then.

Sincerely,
Mary L. Conley.

GIRLS' CIRCLE PROGRAM

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find many opportunities to witness for Christ among these miserable people, and that many may be led to accept him.

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Pray especially for Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, missionaries to the Indians at Simnasho, Oregon. Mr. Wilson, because of a throat condition, is not permitted to do any speaking, and his work is being done by his wife. Pray for them both. If you have not received from them the letter in regard to "Tillers of the Soil," write for a copy. Work among the Indians is one of the most difficult missionary tasks anywhere. Find the names of all our Indian workers in the Prayer Cycle and intercede for them.

MRS. ARTHUR B. McBRIDE, Secretary, 847 Thorn St., Sewickley, Pa.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

A cable received on October 15, sent by Rev. H. A. McGeoch, treasurer of our Egypt Mission, tells of the safe arrival of the "MARINE JUMPER" party. On board were the Misses Venna R. Patterson and Helen M. Walker, the W.G.M.S. missionaries who sailed September 27.

Mrs. Ada A. Dunlap who sailed September 27 on the "T. J. STEVENSON" arrived in Alexandria, Egypt, on October 18. Miss Marion Martin and Miss Beatrice McClellan who are both to teach in Girls' College, Cairo, Egypt arrived in Alexandria on the "SATURNIA."

The Misses Margaret L. Murdoch and Laura Reynolds are expecting to sail for India on the "S. S. ESCANABA" of the American Export Lines sailing from Pier D. Jersey City, November 12.

THE TIME OF NEED

Each letter from India brings accounts of the calamity that has fallen upon the Punjab. Heartbreaking reports of the anguish, cruelties, disease, hunger and death suffered by refugees in the villages and cities, along highways and in camps, compounds and hospitals, have come over the radio and through the press, and in personal letters.

On the eleventh of August communal fighting broke out all over the Punjab. "It seems there has been a moral collapse; the most dreadful atrocities have been committed and daily there are new and shocking incidents." Such conditions developed since the partition of the Punjab and the announcement of the Boundary decision between India and Pakistan. Of our own Mission all stations but Pathankot, Gurdaspur and Dhariwal are in Pakistan; and the fighting flared up very badly along both sides of the Boundary affecting seriously Gurdaspur, Sialkot, Gujranwala, Sheikhupura and to a lesser degree Lyallpur. What reports have come through from these places tell the harrowing news of large areas burned or otherwise destroyed and thousands of people killed. It has been civil war among the Muslims on one side and the Hindus and Sikhs on the other. It has been reported that the new Governments seem to be trying honestly to get control, but it is beyond their power to control fully.

Because of such conditions missionaries have been marooned in the hill country and not able to return to their work, but there have been reports that they are coming down and taking up their duties in a limited way, as they can, or going into relief work caring for refugees. A large group of our missionaries were at Landour and they voted an indefinite postponement of Annual Meeting. Because of these serious conditions travel is very uncertain and the food problem is very great. Sialkot Convention is also postponed indefinitely.

Letters tell us: "You will be glad to know the Christians on both sides of the boundary have not been molested and have escaped all harm,"

PRAY FOR INDIA

Pray for all those sick and suffering, thwarted and sad, hungry and homeless of the Punjab, many "having no hope and without God;" and for those who minister to friend and foe in the name of the Saviour of men.

Pray for the Indian Church, that it may be revived, quickened, and purified, that it may see the needs of its own people and the responsibility for their evangelization.

Pray for the Church leaders, that there may be no compromise, but that always the Church may give a clear witness during these difficult, troublous times.

Pray for the leaders in Pakistan and India, that they may rule unselfishly, that they may see the results of strife and hatred and turn to God and learn the ways of peace.

Pray for all in the missionary enterprise in India; that God will give strength and wisdom to cope with the difficult problems in the New India; that God will provide workers and friends to carry on the work of relief and reconstruction.

Pray for the health, strength and safety of those who are carrying on loving Christian ministries to millions of refugees in camps, barracks, and hospitals, that their lives may be precious in His sight and used to bring many to know the Great Physician.

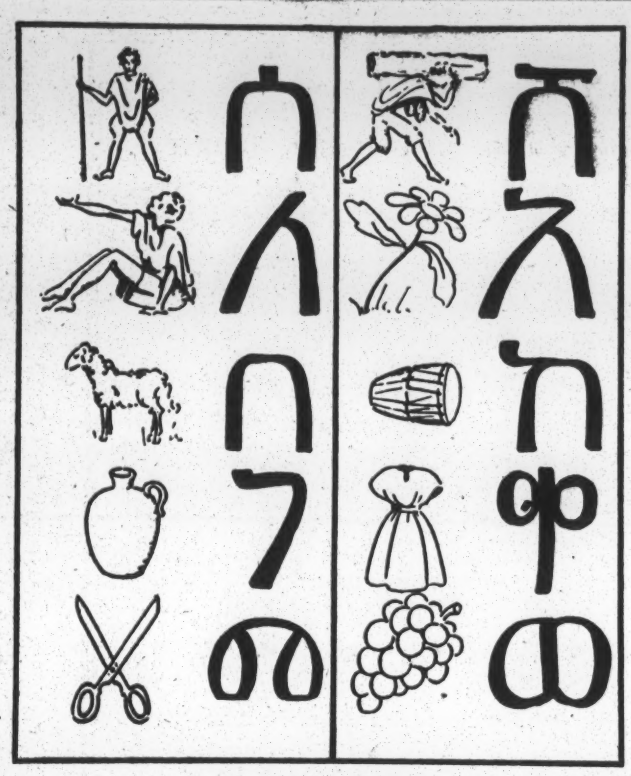
"God has marvelously kept the Christians from harm and we praise Him"; "In Me ye might have peace, in the world ye have tribulation. Be of good cheer. I have overcome the world." In every place devout Christians seem to be praying as never before.

Urgent appeals from the Governments of India and Pakistan have come for doctors, nurses, and medical supplies to help them cope with the dire needs of the people. Refugee camps are in indescribable condition; this is worse than war, they say. Medical supplies and food for an estimated 4,000,000 refugees and 250,000 medical cases in India are greatly needed. A similar request for medical units, supplies, etc., has come from the Government of Pakistan. A medical unit consisting of four doctors and eight nurses from our own Church is tentatively planned in cooperation with our Committee of Church World Service. In Pakistan our Church is the largest Christian group and our Mission the strongest numerically. The great need in both India and Pakistan makes its appeal to our Christian hearts. Sad stories are on all lips.

The call of human need comes to us! Personnel, medicines, and prayer are needed; the first and second needs call for contributions devoted to the cause, and the third for devotion to Christ and His cause. Who can tell what such help in this time of dire need will mean to the cause of Christ in both Governments, and the future work of our Mission?

LIGHT FOR ETHIOPIA

In Ethiopia, where for generations the complicated 198 symbol Amharic language has been used by the educated few, hundreds of boys from the Emperor's schools will return to their villages to teach the adults to read and write with a new simplified system using only 39 letters. Dr. Laubach in May 1947, working with a Revision Com-



Amharic Chart

mittee headed by Dr. Robert W. Hambrook, Educational Adviser to Emperor Haile Selassie, helped work out a system of regularizing vowel sounds so that people will be able to learn to read in a fraction of the time it took before. Dr. Hambrook was in New York in September contracting for typewriters and linotype dies in the modified alphabet. Plans are going forward now for the translation into Amharic of The Story of Jesus which will be used throughout the land as follow-up reading. Dr. Laubach says that the country could be literate in ten years—this of a land where there is now a 90% illiteracy rate.

Drawings for the Amharic charts were made by Miss Jane Barclay of Wichita, Kansas, together with artists from mission groups and Amharic experts from the Emperor's offices; their first chart is like the one pictured. Here, as in other countries he has visited, Dr. Laubach praised the fine cooperation between government and mission groups.

PERSONALS

News from the Punjab, India, brings to the minds of faithful laborers of years ago memories of days spent in the work. Miss Laurella G. Dickson (1897) writes: "I loved those poor hard-working servant women among whom I worked forty years, and they would sit and listen so well to the Bible stories. I went to India first in 1897 and returned the last time in 1937. I wanted to go back for one more term, and I am just sorry I am not still on the India-working list."

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Miss Margaret A. Bell (Egypt 1901) tells of her pleasure in perusing the minutes of the summer meeting of the Egyptian Association, finding "in most of the paragraphs subjects for prayer." Miss Bell has been making some Thank Offering talks.

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Mrs. Mary K. Coventry of Council Grove, Kansas, has been called upon for Thank Offering talks in her neighborhood. It is an opportunity to hear these returned messengers.

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We regret that there has been sickness among our missionaries in Egypt. The Misses Nellie C. Smith, Leota Cabeen and Jeannette McCrory have each been at Tanta Hospital lately and we ask you to remember them in prayer, for they are all so useful in our Mission.

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Did you read: "My Man Sunday" in the September issue of The Readers' Digest? It is a good missionary story that you will enjoy.

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Miss Ida Whiteside's trunk finally arrived after it was carried past Alexandria, Egypt, ten months before. It was at Haifa all that time and she wondered why it could not have been located. Miss Whiteside feared it might have been opened and things stolen, but everything

was in place as she had packed it a year before. "It was almost like having a surprise Christmas box," she said.

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Miss Lucy Lightowler of Abbassia, Cairo, Egypt wrote of the death of the janitor at Fowler Home for over thirty years; they miss this faithful employee very much.

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All letters to our missionaries in India should be addressed to his or her station or known place of residence. All stations are in Pakistan (not India) with the exception of Dhariwal, Gurdaspur and Pathankot, and the hill station at Landour (P. O. address for Landour is Mussoorie, United Provinces) which are in India.

GOD CALLED DAVID

Word has come from the Sudan that David Habeeb of the Omdurman Boys' Home died in the Church Missionary Hospital where he was born 13 years ago. He was an unwanted baby when he was taken to the Girls' Boarding School at Khartoum North at the age of two weeks. He was a sweet child and a great favorite and his going has made many hearts sad. He had never been rugged in health, having a weak heart, so when he got cerebral malaria his tired heart gave out.

The carpenter friend of David prepared the box for the little body, Mrs. Finley and Miss Pillow made wreaths of coral vine and zinnias to place over it; loving hands prepared these while tears came to their eyes and their hearts were heavy. His friends — the teachers, schoolmates and Muslim day pupils, young women who cared for him as a baby, the servants, carpenter, pastor and family, the American missionaries — gathered in the little church at Omdurman; the larger boys carried the casket in and the pastor (Rev. Wesley Astasi) brought a comforting message from the Word —"Weep not, he is not dead but sleepeth."

David was well liked, will be greatly missed, and his passing away has made all of those who loved him thoughtful, and has drawn them very close to one another and close to God.

The WORK *and the* WORKERS

PAKISTAN

From Hajipur, Sialkot, Punjab, Miss Eva M. Hewitt writes: "We are refugees; and we have seen enough in this 'new' land to sympathize with the thousands of displaced persons on the roads and trains going to a land they do not know." As Miss Hewitt describes the refugee train that brought missionaries and their families from Landour where they had gone on vacation she says: "Distressing as has been our condition it is not to be compared with that of thousands of Indian refugees fleeing their homes and lands, living in horror and direct misery on the roads in caravans miles long, camping in the rain at railway stations until trains come to pick them up and in poor refugee camps under unsanitary and squalid conditions. Miles of them have spent these days of unseasonable cold, driving rain in the open.

"What joy to meet these good friends at Hajipur, all safe, the property intact, though right across from us fire and looting had destroyed the factory. The men had stood at the gates that day and said: 'This is Mission property' and the destroyers had refrained. How good and faithful they have been; I give them all honor, and they welcome us back, you may be sure. I believe

they have grown in faith and works this difficult summer, and that God has blessed.

"Prayer is our great need: that we may be ready for the task, whatever it be, with the fullness of Christ in us, and upheld daily by His strength."

PATHANKOT, INDIA

"I had no idea how I would get on home to Pathankot from Lahore, but God knew and directed us. We stopped to ask the way to the refugees' control office from an officer we saw on the street. He showed us very graciously and we told him our business and asked if he knew of any way I could get on to Pathankot. He smiled and said he had just received orders to send a unit there in two days or so. I waited two days, but on the eleventh of September, the convoy went and I had a front seat in a military truck right to my door.

"Over the radio came word that there was one company of Hindus and Sikhs coming to East Punjab, numbering over 400,000; it took them eight days to pass one point. There isn't, as far as I know, one Muslim in Pathankot. Several times authorities have been after the school here to make it a camp for 2,000 refugees. We have room for only 130 girl boarders. I knew they could take it, but God has further use for us here or He wouldn't have saved the school. An officer remarked: 'Your stock must be very high in the town or it would have been looted, too. That's the only way I can explain why it wasn't.' Well, we Christians know that it was God who enabled us to have such good standing in the regard of the people and who caused them to save it.

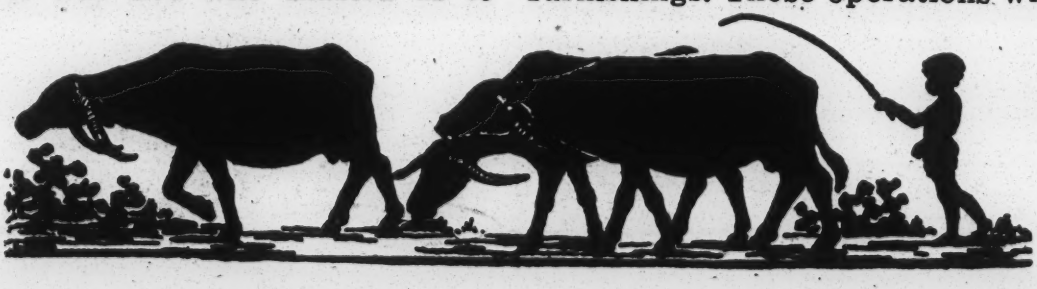
"The people of the town were after us to start the school, so we did open it. Few of the teachers have been able to get here, but we have worked out a schedule and are doubling classes. We have about 70 girls. We felt we must start school even if we have to run on a loss. If we aren't using the school they may either put refugees in or take it for a Hindu School. Many tell us that plans are under way to make Pathankot a big trading center; a road is being put through between here and Jammu, connecting us with Kashmir.

"The Lord's Prayer 'Give us this day our daily bread' has taken on new meaning, as we get food for one day at a time. Everything is extremely high and many things can't be gotten at all. I have had no eggs, and milk is thirty cents a quart."

(*These are excerpts from interesting letters from Miss Willa M. Ramsey in charge of the John and Jane Denham Memorial — Avalon Girls' High School — Pathankot, India.*)

ETHIOPIA

From a letter by Hazel McGeary of Sayo, Ethiopia: "One of the boys in my Braille class was examined by the doctor and he feels that an operation may restore sight to the boy. The operation, however, cannot be performed until sufficient equipment is received. At the present time the 'Operating Room' is a big bare room void of any kind of furnishings. Those operations which



the doctor can undertake put us in mind of the 'kitchen table' variety of yesterday."

From a letter by Mrs. N. F. Pollock of Sayo: "It's time to go over to the Hospital. I help in the surgery and we have had a number of operations already. The big sterilizer that I brought from Addis Ababa to Gorei and then on to Sayo has something wrong with it and until it is fixed we sterilize in a pressure cooker five pieces at a time and an hour's boiling. So you see what a long job sterilizing can be! It goes on forever, it would seem. I think I have everything all done up and then we get a few operations and behold, we have not enough gowns, towels or gloves. One day our supplies will be adequate, but now things locally are so expensive that one hates to buy. We have had to buy bolts of unbleached muslin to make sheets for the beds and each sheet costs nine dollars Ethiopian (an Ethiopian dollar is about 40c U.S.) to make and it's such thin stuff. Of course, sheets at home are expensive now too and by the time freight was paid on them the cost would probably be more."

SUDAN

Miss Una Coie, Khartoum North, Sudan wrote: "I am spending two days each week with my training pupils, directing their work in the homes there. It seemed the only solution for the Gereif problem and it has been working out very well. . . . At present the Nile route by boat and train between Egypt and The Sudan is closed. Mail will come by air, and I suppose passengers. . . Please remember to pray that God will send us additional workers, native and American, which we need desperately. We want them to be of His choosing."

From Miss Mary L. Shields of the Khartoum North Girls' Boarding School came news of her work there. "I am teaching in High School at present, so I feel that I am useful because it gives Miss Marguerite McClellan an opportunity to do some of the many things that are always pressing upon her. We have recently started a new first grade class and I am helping a new teacher with methods, etc., giving me a start in teacher training by getting acqainted with the subjects and materials.

"I think we have a wonderful school here, nice buildings, nice children and such an opportunity to teach them of Christ and His way of life. Oh, the need! We are thankful for our teachers, too, and I am thankful that I am here to help in the work, and I pray I may become more useful. I certainly enjoy the others in our household, and of all our Mission in this region of The Sudan. I have been to Omdurman. How they need a secondary school for boys there!"

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"Let us give thanks for what the Lord has done and is doing. But we need above all to pray as we have never prayed that all of Africa's heart may be opened wide, and that our Lord will supply the laborers to do the planting and the harvesting in His vineyard before it is too late."

— *Mary K. Smith*, M. D.
Nasir, Sudan.

EGYPT

After long waiting, much searching and much prayer, the Misses Margaret A. Work and Millie I. Kelso have moved into an apartment in Cairo which is the beginning toward a center for the work among women. Miss Work said: "We had our ten Bible Women with us here for lunch. I can see work for three missionaries in this Cairo asignment. We need more wisdom than we have to know what to select and how to accomplish it, in face of, in some

ways, the most challenging opportunity in many years.

"How greatly we need new recruits for our evangelistic program! At our Association meeting it was recalled the latest woman missionary arrival came in 1924 and was regularly appointed in 1926." (Miss Millie Kelso, appointed in 1946, is to live with Miss Work. It is a great opportunity for Miss Kelso to live, work and have fellowship with such a devoted leader.—Secretary's note.)

LITERACY NEWS

Culled from the Adult Literacy News Bulletin of The National Christian Council of India, Burma, and Ceylon:

Results of Three Years Efforts in Pasrur District of the United Presbyterian Church. In April 1944 after much prayer, our present director, Master Lal Din, presented himself for a trial. He was quite ignorant of our prayers. June found him with an organized center, around Sian, of five villages. During the last of July, 1946, by request of the people, another center around Pan was begun. First, there were four villages which soon grew to seven, and very recently five more have become interested. In the seven villages the following percentages of the entire population of Christian adults are reading: Panunth, 80%; Puda Tatah 51%; Marakpur and Nadpur 50% each; Changi 85%; and Phijoke 16%. Through learning to read, the spiritual lives of these communities have been definitely quickened and now the parents have determined among themselves to educate their children.

One young woman's father asked his daughter, "Inayat Bibi, what has been gained by teaching you to read? You will only get married and go to your husband's home to live."

Inayat Bibi's interesting reply was, "Where does this canal, which passes through our village, begin?"

"From the head canal," came the answer.

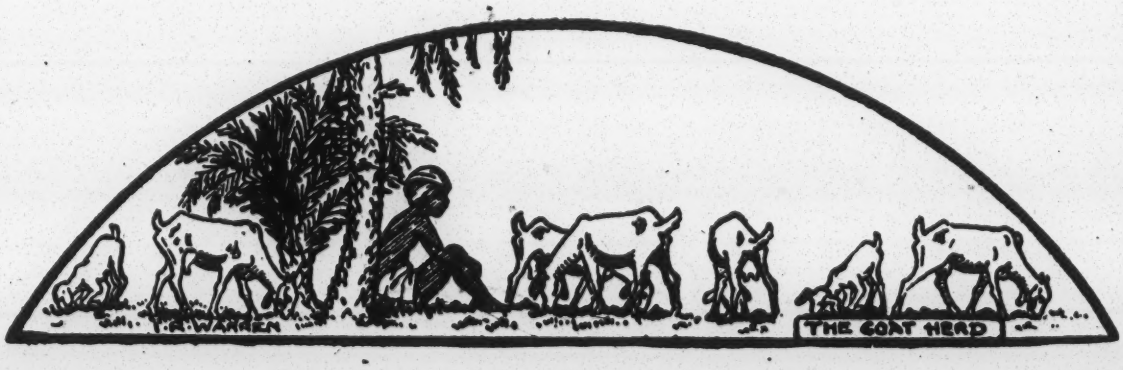
She asked again, "Do only the people of the head canal area profit from its waters?"

Her father replied, "No, for it waters our village and others also."

Then she said, "In this way also I will help others by teaching them the Word of God."

"Where there is little prayer,
There is little power;
"Where there is little prayer,
There is little joy;
"Where there is little prayer,
There is little life."
— From *The Presbyterian Outlook.*

"Because You Prayed —
God touched our weary bodies
with His power;
God touched our lips with coals
from altar fire;
God touched our eager fingers
with His skill:
Because You Prayed!"
—From *The Presbyterian Outlook.*



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THE COLOR LINE

"The feeling is the same regardless of the color of the skin." This thought has repeated itself again and again, as I think of the Christmas excitement over packages to be opened, candy and nuts being handed out and oranges being passed around. If the face is red, black, white, or yellow, Christmas can give equal pleasure to all.

The October Magazine carried suggestions for Christmas Boxes that will aid in making a Merry Christmas among our Indian people. We know many have responded and toys, games, aprons, used clothing, and many other things are on their way, and will arrive in time for Christmas. The Indians are poor and missionaries try to make a Christmas celebration that will bring joy to as many as possible. Money can always be used to adventage in purchasing oranges, nuts, and candy that will add greatly to the festivities of the occasion. This is a reminder that bright colored religious pictures, and inexpensive copies of famous painting can be of assistance in our work among the Indians.

NEWS FROM OUR INDIAN MISSION STATIONS

Special prayer should be offered for The Rev. and Mrs. George W. Smith of Stilwell, Oklahoma, who are both in poor health. Mr. Smith has been granted a two month's leave of absence in order to recuperate. He and Mrs. Smith crave the prayers of all our members, that they may once more be restored to health and service. Mr. Smith has done excellent work among our Indians at Stilwell.

In the absence of Mr. Smith, the property is being cared for by Mr. Ellis Sanders who is the Sabbath School Superintendent. Members of the mission and friends are assuming responsibility and doing the work to the best of their ability.

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The Rev. John W. Wilson, of Simnasho, Oregon, has been forbidden by his physician to use his voice for a period of three months. Mrs. Wilson has been carrying on his work. Mrs. Wilson writes: "Pray that the Indians will be willing to receive the church message from a *Woman.* An Indian man does not care to receive much from a woman, but God can undertake and overcome the natural tendencies." From a later letter, she says, "So far they have been very nice when we had services, about my going ahead and giving the message. They also asked me to take charge of a funeral." This is a brave undertaking, and we appreciate what Mrs. Wilson is doing.

Mrs. Wilson further writes, "We have been doing some painting inside the church. The Indians have seemed to take an interest and enjoy seeing the room brightened up with paint on the floor and newly varnished furniture and woodwork."

Many of the Indians are away from their homes during the late summer and fall, picking beans, fruit, and other crops. "The Indians who have been around have been very faithful in their church attend-

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THE JUNIOR EXHIBIT PROJECT

Some questions have been asked about hand work for Junior Society members. The Junior Exhibit project is the answer to these questions. Many Junior societies make and gather useful articles all through the year and send them to the annual WGMS Convention as a contribution to the Junior Exhibit. Each year these articles are displayed at the Convention, a large room always being needed for the display because of the great number of gifts sent. After Convention time, the articles are divided and some sent to each of our home and foreign fields, where many of them are used as gifts at the following Christmas season.

Draw-string bags, fitted with needless, thread, thimble, blunt scissors, buttons, etc., are always welcomed. Handerchiefs, purses, balls, marbles, jumping ropes, pencils, pencil boxes, and crayons are some of the gifts that our missionaries find most useful in their work.

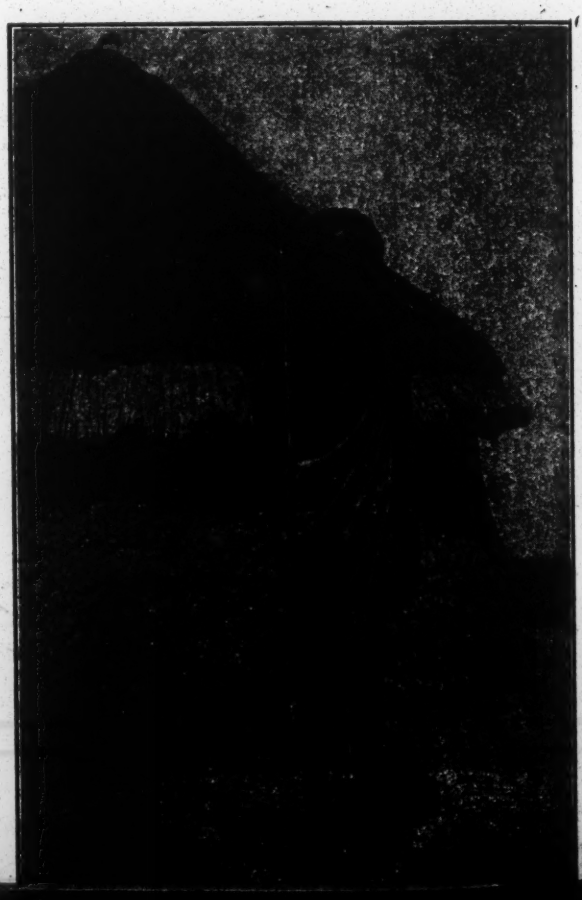
Colored picture cards are needed; but these should not be made into scrap books. Other welcomed articles are dolls—handmade or otherwise—bean bags, stuffed animals, and other handmade toys.

Many mothers and friends cooperate with the Juniors in the making of quilts, and also children's dresses, aprons, and suits.

How some of the "1947 Junior Exhibit" is helping among the Shulla tribe at Doleib Hill in South Sudan is well told in the following letter just received from Miss Elsie E. Grove:

"About a week ago I received a package of things which I think must have come from the Junior Exhibit at the 1947 WGMS Convention in Monmouth. It had been rewrapped and dispatched from Khartoum and so I could not tell exactly who sent it. I suppose that in going through the customs in Khartoum they rewrapped it. I do not know, therefore, just whom I should write. Since I received no name or address with it, I shall write to you as Junior Secretary and thank you for the nice gifts; I am especially pleased with the pencils and wax crayons. There is a very nice variety of them and gives me enough that I can now give each one of the village schools one box of them so that they can do a little color work. The paper pads will be very useful in the schools.

"We now have enrolled in our vil-



lage schools over five hundred boys and girls, over one hundred and fifty of whom are girls; at long, long last our girls and the village people in general are taking more interest in school. It has been a hard, up-hill job getting their interest, but now things have started off at such a rate that I cannot keep up. New villages are crying for schools and I cannot get teachers fast enough to keep up with the demand. Our new teacher training school under Mr. Webb is doing all that it can to help."

"So far our village schools are all within a radius of five miles and a good thing it is that they are not farther away for so far I have not been able to get any means of transportation and so have to walk. I walked out to a school this morning that is between four and five miles from here. This one has just been opened recently, and I started the class of girls on sewing this morning when there. The boys thought they would like to have sewing, too, but I did not give them any. I will wait, at least until I see how the girls get along.

"I wish that some of you people in America could go with me to visit some of these schools. You might have difficulty recognizing them as schools with our western ideas of education, but they are exceedingly interesting nevertheless. Most of the writing is done on the ground in the sand. One never knows what he is going to find when going into a school. One morning I found dozens of mud cows and a few little mud pots which had been molded and dried. Another day I went to this same school and found their entire village laid out in mud,—houses, barns, cattle, and even trees set up. It was a most interesting sight. Yesterday I went into this same school and found about a dozen of the boys wearing a very good imitation of spectacles. They had made them of corn stalks, taking strips of the outside of the stalk for the frame and put them together with pieces of the pith; they were quite a sight with these light colored frames on their black faces, and I must say I thought them quite clever. This school seems to have taken the lead in initiative and doing things. Other schools have done a little. One of them, where they have some white sand, mixed this in with the clay and made some cattle yard they had made for them. had the cattle all shut up in a small cattle years they had made for them. So far, they all sit on the ground, as we have not yet gotten desks and benches for them, but I am hoping to have some made shortly for the higher classes so they can write in their exercise books. But I do not want our schools in the villages to get too formal for a little while, for I do not want to break down the division of labor in the village in their communal life, or the feeling of family responsibility in the boys and girls doing the tasks that are theirs, until they can learn to order their lives in such a way that they can both do their own duties and attend school as well.

"Things are going to be easier as we get more trained teachers; there are now two who have their certificates for teaching first and second grades, and three more who will have theirs in five or six weeks, while still others are training. As soon as possible, I want teachers who can teach third and fourth grades as well, and then I want someone from among them who with some training can become a superviser and help me out in my work of supervising all of these schools. I want very much to see much of this program carried out before I come home the next time, so there will be someone to carry on.

"Please tell all of the Juniors how pleased I am to get all of the pencils, pads, crayons, marbles, and all of the other things which came out of that box, and give them my heartfelt thanks."

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THE LIQUOR PROBLEM—A CHALLENGE TO THE CHURCH

By DR. RUFUS E. WICKER, Pastor, Trinity Methodist Church, Miami, Florida

A FEW WEEKS ago my telephone rang late one evening and a strange and almost incoherent male voice said, "Doctor, I must see you. I want you to come to my house at once, Doctor." "Who are you and what do you want to see me about?" I asked. "I'm so and so," he said, giving a name, "I'm a member of your church, Doctor. My mother goes to your church every Sunday. I've got to see you, Doctor." "You still haven't told me what you want to see me about," I persisted.

"I'm in trouble, Doctor. I'm ruining my home. I need your help, Doctor. I've got to see you, Doctor. Won't you come, Doctor? You've got to come, Doctor."

It was the story of liquor. Mr. So and So was a drunkard. Liquor had destroyed his law practice. It had wrecked his health. His wife had returned two days before from the hospital where she had been for three weeks. Neighbors had cared for their baby. So and So had been drunk during the entire time that his wife had been in the hospital. He had been drunk when she came home. For the immediate past twenty-four hours he had taken no liquor but he was a nervous wreck. "You've got to help me, Doctor," was about all that he could say.

The liquor problem is a challenge to the church first of all because it is a moral problem.

. . . But the alcoholic is not the only drinker who is a menace in society. The man with just a little liquor under his belt is a menace when he gets behind a steering wheel. Does that not have something to do with morals? As surely as there is a God of justice in the heavens, there is guilt.

And the guilt is personal. The liquor problem is a moral problem and it is a personal problem. It is personal for the alcoholic. It is personal for the drinking driver. It is personal for the non-alcoholic and for the man who doesn't own a car. If the Christian religion teaches anything at all, it teaches that man is his brother's keeper; that a man's influence is a sacred trust; that it is a sin against God for a man to use his life so that its use brings hurt to other men. Social drinking then is a personal moral problem. All drinking has moral implications and as such it offers a challenge to the church which must ever be concerned with individual morality.

The liquor problem is a personal moral issue. It is likewise a social moral issue. And as such, it is a challenge to the church which is and ought to be concerned directly, not only with good individuals for the making of a good society but with a good society where individuals may have a decent chance to be good.

The liquor problem challenges the church to do at least four things:

1. It challenges the church to preach temperance. And by temperance I mean total abstinence. The voice of the preacher is still a voice of influence and power. They are influenced also by his silences. The pew still expects the preacher to talk about what is right and what is wrong. And when the preacher keeps silent about any moral matter, there are many in the pew who will conclude that his silence means that the morality of the matter is of little significance and consequence.

2. It is challenged to teach temperance. To the voice of the preacher declaring the evil and sinfulness of intemperance, the church should add the patient and persistent voice of its teaching. The church is challenged to teach its people, and especially its children and youth, about the physiological effects of alcohol in the human system.

Alcohol is a poison. Like ether, which is made from it, it is a narcotic poison. It anesthetizes the sensibilities and, in strong enough quantities, it kills the life which it touches. That is why it is a preservative. It preserves by virtue of its power to kill. But it does not preserve life. It preserves death by causing death. The church is challenged to teach its people what is the nature of alcohol.

3. It is challenged to use every power within its grasp for the redemption of the alcoholic and the man or woman who is headed that way. The alcoholic is a sick man. He is physically sick. He is morally sick. He may need a physician of the body. Always he needs a physician of the soul. The church can and should give its support to any agency or method which would help in the redemptive process. It can and should promote all constructive means which hold out hope for reclaiming the alcoholic.

4. It is challenged to political action. Law is a moral matter to the lawmaker. In a democratic society where the people make the law or where they elect those who do, law is a moral matter for the people. The great Hebrew Prophets who thundered about justice and righteousness were talking about law as well as about personal behavior.

. . . Law has ever been a primary concern to the good man, for law may heal men's wounds or law may destroy men's lives. The church's business is to heal and to save the total man; and any law upon the statute books which tends to the degradation of the total man is a challenge to it.

The liquor traffic has become again what it was before prohibition, one of the *major social problems of America.* With half of our people *drinking it and spending for it nearly eight billion dollars annually, it is once more one of the greatest social problems for our cities* to deal with, *one of the greatest enemies of our homes, one of the greatest menaces to our political and national life.* The church, which has always been its opponent, must move out against it. It is a traffic which cannot be moved to pity, which cannot be reformed, which cannot be made into a decent element to society. The only safety we have against it is its destruction. The church must hit it wherever it can. It must show up its sins. It must uncover its lies. It must fight it with the truth and righteousness, day in and day out. For the church's preaching of temperance and its teaching of temperance and its work of redeeming the alcoholic, will, to a large extent, fail as long as there is a bar around the corner.

The National Temperance Digest

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TO BE ABLE TO SERVE ONE MUST KNOW

This department has promised to pass on to you from time to time helpful suggestions. Here is one which will interest those reading for credit. It comes from Mrs. John Wylie, the present Literature Secretary for Monongahela Presbyterial:

"Reading Course Book Club"

The Auxiliary (Y. W.) of the Second U. P. Church, Wilkinsburg, uses a Book Club to encourage regular reading. We have seven groups of four girls reading, one chairman in each group. One book moves through the group of four in one month, and seven different books or pamphlets are used in the course throughout the year, so that by using only one copy of seven different books we hope to have 28 girls complete the course in seven months. Each chairman is responsible for her book traveling on schedule, and the General Chairman (Literature Secretary) makes a check each month on the progress. There are several months left for check-backs on unfinished reading. These girls will have read more than is required for certificate or seal. All material was chosen from the current reading course. (This plan was started by Mrs. F. W. Mendenhall, President and Mrs. Sylvia John, Literature Secretary).

Possibly because of the revision of the *Standard of Efficiency* (*Women*) sixth (b) point, which reads, "distribution of Stewardship literature, stressing tithing," many requests are coming in for such material. The following are some of the leaflets now available:

Our Stewardship and Christian Giving—J. Alvin Orr ..... .01
Stewardship of Tithing ..... .01
Money-Raising or Stewardship Helen K. Wallace ..... .01
I Believe (a Creed for Stewards)
Stewardship of All Life (Scripreference & pledge) ..... .01
Giving or Paying—Which? ..... .01
The Two Inseparables Evangelism and Stewardship ..... .01
The Story of N. J. (Story of a boy and a box of envelopes) .01
Marilee Interprets Malachi (dramatic presentation) ..... .10
Robbers! Oh No! (dramatic presentation) ..... .10

Notice concerning Reading Course Books: . . . After December, the time will be short till April first, the limit set for the completion of the Reading Course. We assume that all who are reading for credit have secured their books by this time. Because of their price, some of these books are being very lightly stocked. They are:

Pathfinders of the World Missionary Crusade — Sherwood Eddy $2.75
New Testament Evangelism — Arthur C. Archibald 2.00
Highway of Print—Ruth Ure 2.00

These three are valuable books to have in your library at any time but when they cease to be on the Reading List, we find the demand ceases. The one exception we might make is *The Highway of Print.* Because of the intense interest in Literacy now, we may be able to secure

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Tributes

Mrs. H. C. Jeffers
Our Friend and Fellow-Worker

As we enter upon a new season of activities in Philadelphia Presbyterial, it is with a sense of sorrow and loss because our friend and fellow-worker, Mrs. H. C. Jeffers, is no longer with us. After a brief illness in the hospital, the Lord called her home to be with Him on September eighth. A beautiful funeral service was held in the Wilmington Church, and she was laid to rest in the family burial ground at New Concord, Ohio. The congregations of First, Wilmington and Twelfth, Philadelphia, her husband's two pastorates, are joined with the Presbyterial and a host of friends elsewhere in mourning the passing of her bright spirit and warm personality from our midst. It is no empty tribute to say that our loss is Heaven's gain.

Mary White Jeffers was a noble Christian woman whose life was firmly fixed on the foundation than which we can lay no other. Her whole life was characterized by fidelity and sincerity. She made no ostentatious show of religious zeal, but the Lord could depend on her. Whatever could be done to forward the work of His Kingdom, in the church, Sabbath School, missionary societies or presbyterial, and in the wider denominational and interdenominational activites, she did, earnestly and enthusiastically. Her many talents were fully consecrated to His service. When she spoke, as she did so effectively, her presentation of the Gospel message was reverent and devotional, straightforward and persuasive.

The fruits of her labors are firmly established here in the field in which God placed her. Though we shall miss her greatly, we shall not forget her, and the memory of her lovely Christian service will continue to challenge and inspire us. Her delightful and hospitable home, her cordial friendliness and sociability, her charming appearance, are happy memories that we shall keep. Not only an ideal minister's wife, but an ideal friend, that was Mary Jeffers.

To her husband and son, mother and sister, we extend our heartfelt sympathy and assure them that we share their loss. To know her was to love her.

Mr. H. C. Fritschman
Mrs. C. L. Hussey
Mrs. J. S. Mitchell
Presbyterial Committee.

Mrs. Frank Whiteman

The Woman's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of Biggsville, Illinois wishes to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Frank Whiteman who was called to her heavenly home on July 3, 1947. She was a member of the Woman's Society for many years and a teacher in the Sabbath School. Mrs. Whiteman was a sincere humble Christian who spent much time in reading and studying her Bible. We are grateful for the example of her strong courageous Christian life.

To her loved ones we extend our sincerest sympathy.

Committee

Mrs. Clara Kennedy

The Women's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian church of Valencia Pennsylvania wishes to pay tribute to the memory of Mrs. Clara Kennedy, who was called to her reward July 26, 1947.

Mrs. Kennedy was loyal to her church, her society and her community and was always ready to do her part in advancing God's Kingdom. We shall cherish the memory of her greetings and rejoice in the knowledge that to be absent from the body, is to be present with the Lord.

To her family we extend our sympathy.

Committee

Mrs. B. M. McCartney

We, the members of the Women's Missionary Society of McDonald, Pa., wish to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. B. M. McCartney, who was called to her heavenly home after a long illness.

Mrs. McCartney was a member of our society for many years and was always present when health permitted. She was ever ready to offer counsel and her example was that of a faithful and loyal member.

For many years she taught in our Sabbath School and was loved and respected by her pupils. She was a devoted mother, a loyal friend and a devout earnest worker in the Master's cause.

Mrs. Alice May
Mrs. T. B. Miller
Mrs. Banche Smith

Mrs. Etta Witt

The Women's Missionary Society of the Alexis United Presbyterian Church wish to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Etta Witt, who was called to her heavenly home, November 7, 1946.

We miss her cheerful service of love and devotion. She was a charter member of the Women's Missionary Society; a teacher for many years in the Sabbath School and a life long member of the church. We shall always cherish her memory.

Committee

Mrs. Elva Wiggins Fitzgerald

The members of the Women's Missionary Society of Conemaugh United Presbyterian Church, Pennsylvania, wish to pay tribute to the memory of Mrs. Elva Wiggins Fitzgerald who was called to her heavenly home July 25, 1947, after being patient in her sufferings and afflictions.

Mrs. Fitzgerald was very faithful in her attendance at church, Sabbath School and all missionary meetings as long as she was able, having attended the June meeting.

She was President of our Missionary Society at the time of her death; she was also a life member of the W.G.M.S.

Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary November 3, 1943.

We extend sincere sympathy to Mr. Fitzgerald, Miss Nettie and all friends. We shall miss her, but her pleasant smile and kindly manner will always live in Memory's Album.

"Though on earth there's need of leaders
She is at peace with God above;
God promoted her for service
In the rank of joy and love."

Committe.

Mrs. Minnie Curry Wallace

The Women's Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of Stafford, Kansas, wishes to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Minnie Curry Wallace, who has passed to her eternal home.

The work and activities of the Missionary Society were very dear to her heart. She was a faithful and active member, until ill health prevented attendance the past few months. She was a devout Christian and almost a life long member of the United Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Wallace leaves a host of relatives and friends, who rise up to call her blessed because of her many kind and generous acts and the loving service she performed through a long and unusually active life.

Women's Missionary Society.

Mrs. Mary McKnight Thompson

Inasmuch as Mrs. Mary McKnight Thompson, a charter member of our society, has been taken from us, the members of the Young Women's Misisonary Society of the Sixth United Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, pay the following tribute to her:

Mrs. Thompson was one of our beloved members, a kindly, sympathetic, ever thoughtful and diligent friend to all; one whose self-effacing industry served as a model for us and stands today as a moral symbol by which we are guided in our works and lives; a universal Christian whose compassionate heart was dedicated to the furtherance of moral and spiritual Christianity; a practical mother who sought to implant in her children qualities of goodness, kindness and mercy, all the while seeking for their happiness and well-being in life.

Be it resolved that this tribute be read and placed in the minutes of our society, and a copy sent to each of Mrs. Thompson's children.

Committe.

Mrs. Ira G. McCreary

The Women's Missionary Society of the Logan's Ferry United Presbyterian Church wishes to pay tribute to the memory of Mrs. Ira G. McCreary, who was called to her eternal home May 13, 1947.

Mrs. McCreary, nee Mary Scott, was born in Brighton Township, Beaver County, Pennsylvania. May 18, 1873. Early in life she made a profession of her faith in Christ and was received into the membership of the Four Mile United Presbyterian Church. She was educated at Beaver College.

July 24, 1902, she was married to Rev. Ira G. McCreary, who was then pastor of the Twelfth Church in Old Allegheny. For the past fourteen years she was a member of the Logan's Ferry Church, under the pastorate of Dr. McCreary.

Mrs. McCreary had been ill for eight years, and was seldom able to leave her home during that time, but was always keenly interested in her church and the Women's Missionary Society.

Her Society.

Mrs. J. C. Williamson

On January 2, 1947, Mrs. J. C. Williamson was called from earth to her Heavenly Home. The Women's Missionary Society of First United Presbyterian Church of Steubenville, Ohio, wishes to record a tribute of love and respect to her memory.

Mrs. Williamson was a faithful and loyal member of the Sabbath School and Missionary Society, and her devotion was shown by her faithful attendance of all services of the Church.

She was stricken while preparing to attend Sabbath morning worship, and lingered a few weeks until the final call came to come up Higher.

We miss her presence and her friendship and we know the Master has said, "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Our deepest sympathy goes out to her husband, and to her daughters and others who held her near and commend them to that One who said, "I will not leave you comfortless."

Mary Lucas
Martha Odbert

Mrs. Mary Chambers

The members of the W.M.S. of The United Presbyterian Church of DeLancey, N. Y., wish to pay a loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Mary Chambers. She was a sincere Christian character, gentle in her ways, and faithful in her attendance at church services, as long as health permitted.

Mrs. O. Hall
Mrs. E. Laidlaw

Mrs. George Proctor

The Women's Missionary Society of Nampa, Idaho wishes to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. George Proctor, who was called to her reward May 29, 1947. She served as president of the society and was interested in all missionary work. Mrs. Proctor was a sincere Christian devoted to her church, giving generously of her time and strength as long as her health permitted. During her long illness she was patient and uncomplaining and will be missed by all who knew her. We extend to the family and relatives our deepest sympathy.

Committee

Miss Laura Jenkins

The Women's Missionary Society of the Goodyear Heights United Presbyterian Church wishes to pay loving tribute to the memory of Miss Laura Jenkins, who has been called to her heavenly home.

Miss Jenkins was a sincere Christian, a liberal giver to missions and one well informed on the work. She was Treasurer and Literary Secretary for many years. She was also Superintendent of the Primary Department of the Sabbath School, holding both positions at the time of her death. Her place will not easily be filled.

To her loved ones we extend sympathy.

Committee

Mrs. Minnie Prugh Bigger

The Women's Missionary Society of the Riverside Church wishes to pay loving tribute to the memory of Mrs. Bigger for her loyalty and devotion to her church, as a member of the choir, the Women's Missionary society, also as a member of the Board of the Woman's Association of the West. She was always faithful to her duties wherever she served.

Committee

THE COLOR LINE

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ance and it has rejoiced our hearts."

Most of the societies have received a plea from The Rev. and Mrs. Wilson for special prayer for converts in their work. May we respond and give ourselves to prayer for Simnasho and all our Indian work.

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From Tama, Iowa comes word of the death of Mrs. Amanda Patterson, mother of The Rev. Fred C. Patterson, with whom she had made her home for a number of years. We wish to extend our sympathy to him in his loss.

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No news has come from our mission at Warm Springs, Oregon, but we know from our reports that The Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Machamer are continuing their fine, consecrated leadership among the Indians there.

Mrs. John C. Spielman
Acting Indian Secretary

LITERATURE

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copies of this book from the Friendship Press when our supply is gone but such an order may take time to fill. In short, we would urge prompt ordering *now* of Reading Course Books.

Suggestions for January Program:

"Is It Nothing To You?"—Mary C. Thompson ..... .10

"Heal the Sick"—Mrs. Susannah Hutchison ..... .10

Packet of Egyptian Leaflets ..... .10

These last are not new but are still true and may be new to new members. Circulate them among your society as background material.

Blue Print Map of Egypt ..... .25
Picture Map of Africa ..... .50
Wall Map of Africa (colored) ..... .25
Friendship Map of Africa (colored) ..... .25

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Miss Ruth M. Nichol, 1933 — c/o Rev. Wm. M. Nichol, 820 Kirkpatrick St., Braddock, Pa.
Miss Laura Reynolds, 1924 — 242 Tuscarora Rd., Buffalo 20, N.Y.

EGYPT

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Miss Aleta J. Matthews, 1946 — Khartum North
Miss Jean Maxwell, R. N., 1946 — Nasir
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*Miss Mary L. Shields, 1947 — Khartoum North
Miss Mary K. Smith, M.D., 1944 — Nasir
Miss Frances Turk, R.N., 1921 — Khartum North

ETHIOPIA

Miss Ruth C. Beatty, R.N., 1920 — Sayo, via Gambeila, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan
Miss Isabel Blair, 1922 — Gorei via Gambeila, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan
*Miss Eileen Halewood, R.N., 1947 — Sayo via Gambeila, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan
Miss Hazel J. McGeary, 1946 — Sayo, via Gambeila, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan
Mrs. A. W. Pollock, R.N., 1942 — Sayo via Gambeila, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan
Mrs. Ruth L. Walker, 1923 — Addis Ababa

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